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HUNGRY PEOPLE.

Thousands of Flood Sufferers in the South Without Homes or Food.

GOVERNMENT OFFICER'S REPORT.

Recommends Furnishing the Simplest Food Such as Corn Meal and Side Meat—Live Stock Needs Forage.

Washington, April 13.—The first of the detailed reports from the inspecting officers came to Secretary Alger yesterday afternoon from Lieutenant Whitney, as follows:

"Memphis, Tenn, April 13—As a result of personal inspection of part of the Memphis-Cairo district north of Ashport, Tenn, ninety miles by river, I found eighteen crevasses in the levees, varying in width from 50 to 1000 feet and widening some The increased damage of levees will be considerably unless the ends of breaks are heavily capped. No fresh crevasses are anticipated now. The flood is completely over In the United States levee at Ashport and south for fifteen miles, except in a few of the highest places, there are three crevasses. The top is being badly damaged on account of sloughing I have reported latest details as to location, extent and condition to the engineer officer in charge of this district Water at the maximum was 1 to 4 feet higher on the gauge than ever known before. It has been falling 10 to 12 inches every twenty four hours, and is now about on a stand, but still higher than any previous flood. The maximum approximate length and breadth and area of the inundated district are reported in my previous telegram In addition there is a stretch about forty five square miles in Tennessee, nine miles long and five miles wide on an average

"I found about 3000 refugees (nineteen-twentieths colored), 1500 more have been brought to Memphis Most all have some sort of a shelter, but are suffering for want of necessities Judging from reliable reports this number represents barely one quarter of those needing immediate assistance in this portion of the district Stock is suffering terribly, one-third to one half of the cattle are drowned and the remainder will die unless forage is supplied from outside The ready resources of the district are exhausted

"The condition in Mississippi county, Tennessee, is representative, nine tenths of its 905 square miles is covered with water 1 to 7 feet deep About 15 per cent of this was under cultivation Many cabins are washed away or torn up Those standing are filled with people and rescued stock on raised floors and on rafts Out of 150,000 population 6000 are dependent and needing Four lives are reported lost by drowning

"The conditions in Crittenden county are even worse and the suffering is rapidly increasing due to prolonged high water. Most of the refugees are collected on high ground and at points on levees I have noted their location and approximate number They can be reached from Memphis by a relief boat, which should leave supplies for five days at a time at certain relief stations, each in charge of one responsible resident Would recommend that an officer distribute rations and take receipt from the person in charge of the station Those back from the river can be reached by small boats from these stations Sufferers in my section can and should be relieved where they are This will prevent serious demoralization of labor later. Would recommend furnishing simplest food supplies, corn meal and side meat, and that every ration be accompanied by forage for two head of stock. I start soon as possible for the northern section

Governor McLaurin telegraphed Secretary Alger yesterday afternoon as follows

"Jackson, Miss, April 13—In addition to names and places heretofore telegraphed you, I suggest D N Hebron and Charles E Wright, at Vicksburg, for relief for flood sufferers."

General Gillespie has forwarded to the war department the following telegram from Captain Derby, the engineer in charge at New Orleans, dated this afternoon

"We are still in good state and hopeful Carrollton gauge now reached the highest point"

Secretary Alger sent the following telegraphic order yesterday morning through Adjutant General Ruggles to Captain Davis, the commissary officer at Memphis, with instructions to forward the same order to all the officers now distributing rations:

"The secretary of war directs you to use every possible effort to prevent people who are receiving aid from the government from gathering in the cities for as soon as the water subsides their services will doubtless be required to move upon the levee and till the fields, and, besides, it would be a great expense to transport them back to their former homes when needed, even if they should desire to do so"

The question of feeding the live stock of the people driven from their homes by water has been solved. When it was first proposed to authorize the officers to buy forage for the animals, it was held that the act of congress would not permit that to be done, and the officials were about to ask congress to amend the original joint resolution, when the treasury authorities decided that the resolution itself contained the necessary authorization. This was fortunate, for Captain Davis at Memphis Saturday night telegraphed that it seemed absolutely necessary to purchase forage the stock in addition to food, and the permission to do so was at once given him.

Thirty Thousand Negroes to Feed.

Greenville, Miss, April 13—M. C Martin, captain in the United States army, who arrived here last night, has been thoroughly investigating the needs of the flood sufferers in this territory, and will base his report as to the amount of rations to be distributed in Washington county upon the result of his observations. Captain Martin, in company with Leroy Percy and J M. Jayne, made a trip by skiff through a portion of the overflowed country yesterday afternoon. They witnessed many evidences of the fearful work of the overflow. It is estimated now that fully 30 000 negroes in this county alone are absolutely dependent upon the whites for every mouthful they eat. If $25,000 or $50,000 of the $200,000 appropriated should be used for provisions in this county it would be not more than $1 for each one of the needy Captain Martin expects to leave today.

Situation at New Orleans.

New Orleans, La April 13—Last night was full of alarms, but the day opens with no break in the levees anywhere The work of building and strengthening is going steadily forward. It is believed now that the crisis will be reached by the end of the present week

Supposed to be Drowned.

Eldora, Iowa, April 13—Otto Snyder and his cousin, John Snyder, young men, went sailing yesterday afternoon This morning the boat was found capsized Both were doubtless drowned.

The River at St. Louis.

St Louis, April 13—While considerable rain is falling in this section it is not enough to have appreciable effect on the Mississippi and Missouri which have fallen above here

Missouri River Rising at Omaha.

Omaha, Neb, April 13—The Missouri river has risen rapidly since Saturday It is higher now than at any time since 1881, the year of the great flood The factories along the river have taken steps for protection

Bad News from Vicksburg

Vicksburg, April 13—The river has risen four tenths of a foot in twenty-four hours and now stands 51 95, the highest ever known. Today's information is most discouraging A number of fine plantations at Brunswick are under water Boats are wanted everywhere to rescue people. All hopes of saving the levee have been abandoned.

At Omaha

Omaha, Neb, April 13—The Missouri river is changing its channel past Omaha and in doing so threatens to destroy property valued at several million dollars Last night the river broke through the banks a mile above where it left the old channel twenty years ago, and is running two broad streams across what were yesterday fertile market gardens These streams run into Florence lake, a relic of the former cut off From Florence lake the water is pouring into a cut off of the lake, and now it seems it is only a question of a few hours when East Omaha will be moved into Iowa and all the property in the line of the flood swept away

WORD FROM THE WEST INDIES.

Charles P Housum Coming Home in May—Chapter on Sugar.

Recently C M Fletcher of Mt Zion, received a long letter from his friend, Charles P Housum, who has been spending the winter at Bridgetown, Barbadoes, in the West Indies It was in answer to a letter written to Mr Housum

In his letter Mr Housum gives a very interesting description of the Spencer sugar plantation, and goes into details in describing the gathering of the sugar cane and telling how sugar is made

In closing Mr. Housum writes. 'In the fields the canes are cut by men using something like a corn knife but much heavier, and loaded in the cars by women Mules and oxen are both used and look in good condition, being fed mostly with cane tops and leaves The wages paid the laborers are small. Boys and girls eight cents per day, women ten and twelve, men, twenty cents a day, that is for nine hours work. The help about the mill is paid by task work, so much for each 700 gallons of liquor made, and their wages may run up to thirty cents a day The cane cutters are paid so much for each 100 holes of cane cut, a hole meaning what we would call a hill, speaking of corn The mill runs as late as 8 and 9 p m, as the labor about the mill is all task work The negroes are all fat and look in good condition. They eat a good deal of sugar cane during the "reaping season" as it is called They are very quiet at their work and work steadily if not fast

"I start for home in about a month from now Will reach home about the middle of May"

Teachers' Meeting.

The following is the program for the teachers' meeting that will be held at County Superintendent Keller's office next Saturday

Song, audience
Composition—Miss Coolidge.
Current Events—G. N. Dunham.
Practical Geography—H. H. Slater.
Music—George W. Hall
Grammar, Eighth Month—C. J. Fesler
Prize Spelling from the National Speller.

Stories of the Country

At Casner resides a young man whose name is likely to go thundering down the ages as the synonym of something cruel and heartless in nature This youth is a partner in a general store and his smile as he measures calico for the young ladies of the neighborhood, counts the eggs or weighs the butter brought in by the matrons is both child like and bland But for all this fair exterior, his heart is a mass of ice, as two ladies, residents of the town can testify The particular atrocity which has brought the young man into such unenviable notoriety occurred on the evening of April 3. This particular evening Mr Chapman—there the name has slipped out, went to his bachelor quarters He found the outer door locked, and thought this rather strange, until a feminine giggle sounding somewhere on the premises caused him to remember the day He managed to reach his room, running the gauntlet of clothes lines which had been cunningly disposed to trip unwary feet, and reached his room little the worse for wear He noticed that the bed covering was somewhat disturbed but gave the matter little thought. He had disrobed when a pronounced and vigorous snore smote on his ears. He resolved himself into a committee of investigation, and a moment later discovered the family pug dog cozily slumbering under the cover This was not all. The animal was dressed in a night robe belonging to one of the infantile inhabitants of the house, and its ears were snugly tucked away under a pronounced feminine night cap. A suppressed murmur of merriment floated up the stairway and Mr. Chapman was "on." "All right girls" quoth our hero, 'he laughs best, who laughs last," and pushing his bed fellow to one side was soon in the land of dreams There was a great deal of subdued excitement among the resident femininity the next morning when he appeared at the breakfast table, but never by word or deed did he swerve from the even tenor of his way. And this is why the disappointed damsels vote Mr Chapman a hard hearted brute, incapable of understanding or appreciating the pleasantries of the season

You can always get a good story at Mt Zion, the village which was a town before Decatur came into existence The old inhabitants are storehouses of ancient history and like the old shot gun are always loaded The latest is the following During the civil war there was a large and aggressive disloyal element among the inhabitants, and the local lodge of Knights of the Golden Circle, carried a great many names on its roll A guilty conscience needs no accuser and when a rumor ran through the settlement that a detachment of soldiers was coming over from Mattoon to arrest a number of the leading spirits, the consternation of the knights can be imagined While awaiting the arrival of the soldiers, a member of the band had occasion to visit a friend living on the border of Moultrie county Night had fallen when he set out for home All went well until he had reached a point within two or three miles of the village, when he chanced to glance over the prairie and his hat fairly rose as he noticed far off to his right, a long line of dark figures advancing in regular order He even fancied he could hear the rattle of metal accoutrements, and hear low words of command The soldiers were coming and he must warn his comrades, and hastily drawing back into the shadows, the valient member of the fearless brotherhood put his horse to its best speed and raced away for Mt. Zion. Man after man was warned, and there was a hasty breaking for the brush where the time was passed in fear and trembling for two days and nights until the news brought to the fugitives in the woods that they had been needlessly alarmed and could return home again. Then it leaked out that the column of federal troops which had caused the panic was only a row of fence posts which had been placed in position by a settler preparatory to inclosing his ground

The heavy rains of the last few days have had a dispiriting effect on the farmers, and they are alarmed over the prospect Oats should be in the ground Corn hauled to market and both are out of the question

A few days ago a farmer hauled into one of the county towns a load of corn which he sold for eight cents per bushel At one time he could have sold the grain for fifty cents per bushel

W. R Dingman and son of Niantic, own a pair of handsome Cuban blood hounds which they have carefully trained and which promise to make the renowned Rattler look to his laurels

The Sangamon river which has been somewhat elevated for a few weeks past has come down from its proud estate and is content to remain within natural bounds

Dalton City boasts a new business enterprise, Mrs W. H Taylor and Miss Mattie Bottemfield have formed a partnership for the sale of millinery goods. The ladies have a neat storeroom in a new building and their stock will compare favorably with the Decatur emporiums of feminine headgear. Miss Bottemfield has spent some time in Chicago studying the fashions and designs and with this latest addition to her business interests Dalton City can take a long step forward

RATTLER WAS RIGHT.

A Confession Connects the Barnett Brothers in the Burglary at Kenney.

Three boys are under arrest at Kenney as the result of the investigation by the authorities in the two burglaries that occurred there Thursday night says the Clinton Public

An old pair of gloves were found in one of the stores, supposed to have been dropped by one of the thieves Joseph Works identified the gloves as belonging to Fred Henry, a lad of 17 years, living with his father, B F Henry, on a farm near Kenney At 11 o'clock Friday night officers went to the Henry house, arrested the boy and took him to Kenney At a preliminary trial held there Saturday, he at first denied being implicated in the affair, but later confessed to being one of the parties that burglarized the stores He also turned state's evidence and implicated the two Barnett brothers, George and Frank, aged respectively 18 and 22 years Officers at once obtained a warrant and went in search of the Barnett boys who were finally captured at their home three miles west of Kenney about 10 o'clock a m. The blood hounds that were there from Decatur made two runs to the Barnett residence and there was little doubt in the minds of the people that the boys were implicated. Search was made for the stolen property but so far nothing has been discovered Frank Barnett has been arrested three times, charged with burglary and larceny, but so far has been able to keep out of the penitentiary. George, the youngest of the boys, has served a term in the reformatory at Pontiac, having recently been liberated.

CANVASS OF TOWN VOTE

Official Figures on the Town Election Held on April 6.

On Saturday the town board for Decatur township met and canvassed the vote cast for township officers April 6 The board is composed of Supervisor May, Collector James Carter, Assessor S T Keeler and Town Clerk Nichols. All the members were in attendance except Supervisor May, who was out of the city on a business trip The results of the work of the board is given below, the names of the Republican candidates being given first.

Supervisor, H T. May, 2400, C J Hartley, 1885 Assistant supervisors, five to elect, John Allen, 2353, Fred W Kipp, 2192, George W Stoy, 2503, James H Record, 2134 W H Spence, 2159, David Hanks, 1273, Elijah Hampton, 1339 J W Bradfield, 1216 C C. Harpstrite, 1255, Oliver White, 1253

Town Clerk—A. H Cope, 2082, W P Lindsay, 1397

Assessor—W W. Foster, 2089, L S Hall, 1487.

Collector—L. H Martin, 2063, R. T Kincaid, 1394

Commissioner—William Bundy, 2130, J W Fletcher, 1331

Justices, five to elect—G P. Hardy, 2294, James O'Mara, 2223 W H Shorb, 1656, P B Provost, 2178, O W Smith, 2266, J Q A Oder, 1460, Henry McDermott, 1213, W G Barnes, 1344, W W Peddicord, 1282, G D Dilatush, 1179

Constables five to elect—Bunn J Post, 2160 T L Antrim, 2238, John T. Lloyd, 2221, H E Midkiff, 2319, W W Conard, 2381 J W Kirkbride, 1422, James Hale, 1183, M C Purdy, 1115, Arendo Ford, 1832 J H Groves, 1267

Poundmaster—Greenbury Martin, 2096, Charles Gallagher, 1110

The following are the pluralities May 1076, Allen, 1061 Kipp, 970, Stoy, 837, Record, 879, Spence, 906 Cope, 755, Foster, 645. Martin, 668 Bundy, 768, Hardy, 864, O'Mara, 1011, Shorb, 693, Provost, 898, Smith, 1037, Post, 788, Antrim, 1040, Lloyd, 1106 Midkiff, 987 Conard, 994 Martin, 976

BISHOP WILL SOW FLAX

There is Good Profit in It—Beats Corn or Oats.

I. H Bishop, tenant on the Prickett farm four miles east of Decatur, was in the city Saturday and in conversation with a Republican reporter stated that it was his purpose to put in about 10 acres of his 120 farm in flax seed this spring, cutting down the oats space to that extent Mr Bishop has raised flax success fully in Macon and Moultrie counties in past years and has always found it profitable, the prices per bushel ranging from 90 cents to $1 25. An acre sown in oats will yield about 14 bushels and the net profit is about $11 25 to the acre, while the best that can be done with oats is $5.50 to $6 75.

There is a good market right at home for all the flax seed that can be produced in Macon county H H Clark & Co, have two mills and they will pay the highest market price for flax. The company is compelled to ship in the seed from other points to be used in the manufacture of their products

Mr Bishop says it is a very easy thing to raise flax. It is no trouble at all, and flax is good for the soil Mr. B. breaks the ground harrows it down, uses a half bushel of seed to the acre, and then drags a brush over the field to get the seed under the soil properly The flax ripens nicely and is cut with a reaper. After threshing the "fodder" makes excellent feed for growing stock, better than oats straw

The Culver Electric Co.

In the circuit court Monday H. C. Montgomery, who has been acting as receiver for the Municipal Electric Light company, was discharged, after the report of the receiver had been submitted and approved. Now the plant is in charge of the stockholders. They are John H Culver who owns 90 shares, Mrs. Florence Culver, 70 shares: James S. Culver 1 share, James M. Willard 89 shares. The plant will be operated in future under the name of the Culver Electric company. It is a very valuable plant.

MORTUARY RECORD

From the Daily of Wednesday

Death of Mrs Ellen Hammer

Mrs Ellen Hammer died of consumption at 5 o clock Tuesday evening at her home in Harristown, aged 55 years She leaves a husband, two sons and four daughters. The remains will be taken today to Polo, Ill, and the funeral will be held on Thursday.

The Death at Macon

The jury at the inquest held yesterday afternoon by Coroner Bendure over the body of Mrs. William Cole, whose death was mentioned yesterday, returned a verdict to the effect that the woman came to her death by natural causes The jury was composed of Dr W. L Hughes, Dr W. T. Boggs, W H. Willoughby, D Patterson, S D Lancaster and William Herbert.

Death of Henry Dickinson.

Henry Dickinson died of the grip at his home, 900 South Traver street, Riverside, at 10 o'clock Tuesday night, April 13. He was 67 years and 4 months of age and is survived by his wife and seven children They are Mrs F M. Ralston, Charles, Willard, Ralph, John, Ella and Mayme Dickinson. The funeral will be held from the residence on Thursday afternoon and the interment will be at Greenwood

IN A DAMAGE CASE.

Attorney Johns Will Try to Get $10,000 for Will C. Kenner.

It appears that other towns have their litigation troubles as well as Decatur and they go further sometimes The Tuscola Journal says

"The criminations and recriminations that have been going on between members of the Christian church and ex members of that society culminated last Friday in a suit for libel brought by Will C. Kenner against the official board, composed of James P Hall, W. H. Porter, W T Roberts, James P. Seaney Walter M. Pugh, Henry Jacobson, Wilmer L. Murphy and John Hostetler. The declaration was filed Friday by Attorney Johns of Decatur, and Newman of this city, and damages to the amount of $10,000 are asked The official board is charged with attempting to destroy the good name and reputation of the plaintiff in his business and as a member of the Christian church by publishing in the Christian Guide, a religious paper (published in Louisville Ky), an alleged libelous article"

"The article goes on to say that Mr Kenner applied for membership in the Methodist Episcopal church in Tuscola and that he was rejected on the ground that the church could not receive him except on probation or by a letter of commendation from "our church and he could not get it, intending thereby to charge that the members of the congregation of the Christian church of Tuscola had denied the plaintiff and his wife Christian fellowship and association in the said Christian church of Tuscola and that plaintiff could not on account of being untruthful and dishonest obtain membership in any other church professing the doctrines and tenents and principles as taught by Jesus Christ"

FOUND DEAD IN HER HOME

Mrs. William Cole, a Well Known Resident of Macon, Passed Away Suddenly—Heart Disease Believed to be Cause.

From the Daily of Tuesday

Mrs William Cole, a well known resident of Macon, was found dead this morning in her home at that town. She had been in poor health for some time past and it is believed that her death was due to heart disease

Mrs Cole lived in the town of Macon with her husband and two children, a son aged 9 years, and a little daughter Mr Cole has been working in the country and yesterday and last night was away from home Nothing unusual had been noticed in Mrs Cole's condition last evening, but this morning the children found their mother dead She was on the floor beside her bed and it is supposed that she had been taken ill and attempted to get out of bed and fell As soon as the children made known their discovery Dr Boggs was summoned He examined the woman and said that it was his opinion that she had died from a sudden attack of heart disease She had been suffering for some time with lung and heart trouble and lately her health has been failing rapidly The husband of the deceased and also her sister, Mrs Leverman, who lives near Macon, were notified of the death Mrs Cole was a Miss Rheinhart before she was married and was about 30 years old She was quite well known in Macon and in that vicinity

A telegram was sent to Coroner Bendure this morning and he left this afternoon for Macon to take charge of the body and hold an inquest

ROBBERY AT KENNEY.

School House was Burglarized and the Decatur Blood Hounds Called for Again.

From the Daily of Tuesday

There was another robbery last night at Kinney, DeWitt county, Ill. Several days ago two stores in the town were robbed and last night the school house was burglarized This morning Deputy Coroner Roy Bendure and Israel Florey received a telegram asking them to bring their blood hounds and they left at 11 30 with Rattler and the new hound Topsy. The dogs were successful in tracing the thieves in the other robbery and the men were landed in jail. The town people were considerably excited over the first robbery and the occurrence of last night added to their anxiety. If the dogs get a fair start they will no doubt be able to track the burglars Rattler since he has been working has succeeded in causing the arrest of six guilty men The new dog Topsy is only a pup of ten months but is doing good work and the owners believe that when she has had sufficient training she will be as good as Rattler.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT.

Common Law Docket

Charles Baughman et al vs Covenant Mutual Benefit association of Illinois, motion for new trial by defendant overruled, judgment on the verdict for $1000

Hugh W Hill vs the Illinois Central Railroad Co, debt, verdict of court for the plaintiff for $450 and costs, appeal prayed and allowed

J R Dougherty vs Continental Masonic Accident association of Illinois, appeal, suit dismissed.

H D Heil, appellant vs V A Henkle, appeal, suit dismissed at cost of plaintiff

George S. Lyon et al vs The Lancashire Insurance Co, assumpsit, judgment for plaintiffs for $361, appeal taken

Columbia Mfg Co. vs Greenwich Insurance Co, judgment for plaintiff for $1593 75 and costs appeal taken

Chancery Docket

George W. Elliott vs J T Hedges et al, chancery, suit dismissed at cost of complainant

George S Lyon et al vs Frank P Reddy et al, bill to enforce lien, cause heard and decree for claim as reported, appeal taken

Anna Schaefer vs John Schaefer, divorce, bill dismissed

James A Miller vs Margaret E Miller divorce, cause heard and decree granted

John A. Dawson, assignee vs Anna L. Turner et al, foreclosure, exceptions to master's report overruled and decree on the report, appeal taken

The reports of sales in a number of foreclosure suits were filed by Master in Chancery Finn They were approved and the cases stricken from the docket

Court adjourned to May 15.

The McCarty Estate.

In the suit of E S McCarty vs Bishop William Taylor of Africa, a settlement has been effected About $3000 worth of property that McCarty had saved while serving as a railway mail agent, was in his wife's name when she died By will she left the bulk of it for the Methodist mission cause in Africa. The evidence was heard by J J Finn, master in chancery and finally a compromise was reached by which McCarty is deeded the homestead property in the Fifth ward, and lots 12 and 13 in block 23 in Carver's addition. The valuation is about $2000 The property which goes to J C Hartzell, present bishop of Africa, includes a lot in Sangamon addition, next to Sargeant's chapel, three lots in Litchfield, and $750 in cash The adjustment was approved by Judge Vail

Religious Notes

Rev E. B Randle will preach at Long Creek on Thursday night this week This service was postponed from last Thursday night because of the rain

Next Sabbath Easter concerts will be held at the M E churches at Long Creek and Elwin at 10 a m and at Blue Mound chapel at 3 p m

A large congregation heard Rev A. M Danely lecture at the M E. church in Elwin last Sabbath night He will lecture at the Long Creek M E church next Sabbath night under the auspices of the Epworth league The league will furnish special music for this occasion

Ellsworth Floyd was elected superintendent of the M E Sunday at Elwin last Sunday.

Competitive Examination.

On June 4 and 5 a competitive examination will be held for a scholarship for the Illinois University at Champaign The scholarship will confer upon the holder the privilege of a four year course in any of the undergraduate branches at the university The applicants must be examined in general history geometry, rhetoric, literature, physics, zoology and elements of astronomy All graduates of the high school and other advanced students can take the examination

CAUSES RIDICULE.

The Bi-Metallic Commission Not Considered Formidable by the London Press.

WERE BURNING A COMRADE.

Tramps Bind a Man on Burning Ties—Father in Law Kills Son in-Law and Himself—Returns from New Jersey Election.

London, April 14—The Globe, the St. James Gazette and the Pall Mall Gazette all ridicule the idea that the United States bi metallism commission will have any practical result

An Explanation

Schwerin, April 14—The official announcement of the death of the Grand Duke of Mecklenburg Schwerin at Cannes says that during the doctor's absence he went into the garden according to custom and when experiencing difficulty in breathing evidently staggered from giddiness, fell over the wall into the street, injuring his spine He expired an hour later

FOUND A MAN BURNING.

Tramps Had Bound Him on a Pile of Ties and Set Them on Fire

Buffalo N Y, April 14—A Kane, Pa, special says that last night as the train was leaving Johnsonburg the trainmen were horrified to see a man lying on a pile of burning ties near the track The train stopped and the trainmen rescued the man whose clothing was in flames and whose body was badly burned The man says the men with whom he was tramping bound him and threw him on the fire to get rid of him He will not divulge their names

Returns from New Jersey

Newark, N J, April 14—Returns from the municipal elections of yesterday give the following results The Democrats carried Jersey City, Hoboken, Dover Bayone, Newark, East Newark and Vailsburg The Republicans carried Rahway, Passaic and New Brunswick.

List of Patents.

Granted to Illinois inventors this week. Reported by C A Snow & Co, solicitors of American and foreign patents, opposite U S Patent Office, Washington, D C.

W S Barnard, Canton, fluid distributer R W Blackmore Peoria, electrical transformer plate A H Carrol, Jacksonville car coupling, A A Chittenden Arcola snow case T Dowman Chester, portable tool post J H Drobisch, Decatur, bonus determining device C A Hunter, Pana, combined hand and barrel cart, W. J. Hutchins, Joliet wire nail machine, J McQuillin Hecker ash fast arner, T F Nelson, Rockford straight knitting machine, W S Sutton Belvidere roller bearing for sewing machines H H Wohler Detroit hammock chair. For copy of any patent send 6 cents in postage stamps with date of this paper to C. A Snow & Co, Washington, D C

Died in Chicago

From the Daily of Tuesday.

The remains of Mrs Lillie Braucher, who died at her home in Chicago, were brought to this city this afternoon and taken to the home of her mother, Mrs L. M. Abbott No. 1048 North Main street. The funeral will be held from the residence tomorrow at 2 30 o'clock in the afternoon. The deceased was a resident of Chicago but was well known in Decatur, having formerly lived in the city. She leaves a husband and two children, a son aged 5 years and a daughter, aged 3 years.

Boys Oxford and tan high shoes, any size, $1 27 a pair, reduced from $2 new coin toes at Powers' shoe store.—8 d&w1w

A brother of John Michaelson died Tuesday at Riverton.

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Even free silverites are now wearing yellow ribbons, but in this case they want clean streets and in this case they are right.

The greatest impression W J Bryan has yet made was when the Florida hotel piazza fell down under the weight of himself and his friends

The senate finance committee shows a commendable disposition to push the tariff bill along as rapidly as it can and get it before the senate.

Webber is a municipal reformer, so he says, but who believes that, had he been a voter in Chicago he would have voted for Harlan and not for Harrison.

It should be recorded somewhere where it cannot be lost or mislaid that once upon a time Jameison, Madden, Lorrimer and Hertz were the whole thing.

The hope which a few local successes at the spring elections has given the Democpopulists will have the effect to cause them to hold on to the follies of 1896 until the people can get another whack at them in the same old intrenchments.

The younger Carter Harrison seems to have inherited the good fortune of his father as a candidate The father was several times elected through divisions among the opposition and was once elected through a division in his own party

Among the acts passed by the last congress was one imposing a fine of $2000 and five years in prison for defacing a gold or silver coin of the United States mint. This will put a stop to the nonsense of using coin for bangles or any other kindred fad.

Some of the Democratic papers are now using the surplus which has accumulated since McKinley came into power as an argument that a new tariff bill is not necessary. These papers don't care whether the people have work or not. They still want to buy European made goods

One of the best things Miss Willard has done in many a long day, and one of the things which will live longest is her cable to Lady Somerset in which she says that the bullets fired by the English government on the Cretans is a slaughter of Christians to satisfy the blood thirsty Turk

The failure of the Globe Savings bank and the probable loss to the state of half a million dollars is but another leaf in the history of Democratic stupidity or dishonesty in conducting the people's affairs in the state Such things never happened under Republican administrations and yet they want in as reformers just as they are trying to do in Decatur at the coming city election

"Cope" Hans Anderson who conducts a saloon in New York City and who has been giving out some stories as to the conduct of the officers of the Monitor on the day it defeated the Merrimac in which he figures as the principal hero and makes out that others showed the white feather, has been written down as a liar and fraud. He was on the Monitor but was only an ordinary seaman and had no more right to expostulate with Lieutenant Green than a cabin boy and know no more about the battle.

It was a mean thing on the part of the people of the empire of Japan to let the people of the United States go all through the agonies of the late campaign, looking to the Japanese as a great silver people when they had already made up their minds to adopt the gold standard. The latest advices from that country show that the proposition for the adoption of the gold standard had been under consideration for two years, and that the officials of the nation had practically determined to adopt it during the very time that the people of this country were looking upon them as the most ardent advocates of silver A hint as to their plans would have saved much of the worry and speech-making in the late election in the United States.

William J. Bryan continues to revel in the tactics of the demagogue. He recently said he did not know how the Republican policies would impress the country but so far Republican success has been a disappointment The Republican party has been in power less than five weeks and has not had time to frame any feature of its policies into law and how could its policies prove a disappointment thus far? The success of the party at the polls restored the confidence of the country in the currency, being an assurance that every dollar in circulation would continue to be as good as every other dollar. No law was necessary to do that It was only necessary to defeat the party that threatened to debase the country's currency. But no good healthy revival of business can come until the unfriendly Wilson bill is repealed and supplanted by a tariff bill in the interests of American business. That legislation will be accomplished in due time

The millions of dollars' worth of foreign goods rushed in from abroad by importers who had no regard for the prosperity of the government or of the workingmen, will prove a serious handicap to the workings of the Dingley law The fact that enormous quantities of goods in excess of present demands hav been brought in, will, of course, check the importations of the first few months after the enactment of the Dingley law, and at the same time reduce the demands upon the home manufacturers for their goods. People cannot, therefore, expect that the new law will be at once effective, either as a revenue producer or a reviver of industries, because of the enormous importations already made in anticipation of its enactment. But for the retrospective clause of the Dingley bill, they would have been much greater before the final enactment of the law.

The Chicago Tribune: If the Venezuelan commission appointed by President Cleveland is at large anywhere it is respectfully requested to come home and legislate itself out of existence. The Venezuelan government has finally accepted the proposal to arbitrate the dispute with Great Britain, and that commission has no further excuse for prowling around the musty archives of foreign governments A report has gained currency that the commission has been out of existence for some weeks, but the public will not be satisfied with any such informal dissolution That commission has fooled the public too often before in the same way. Several times during its youth a diligent search at the foreign capitals and the watering places failed to reveal the presence of the commission anywhere, and stately obituary notices were started by social mourners, but on every occasion enough of the commission turned up somewhere to show that it was yet alive and, in most instances, kicking. What the people want from this commission is a formal and official death scene. This simulation of death by remaining in a comatose condition will not suffice That has been chronic from the beginning and something more lively in the way of departing this life is necessary to arouse any general enthusiasm.

Harrison Elected, and How.

The Times Herald: No citizen of Chicago, who is possessed of the most ordinary political discernment, can fail to be profoundly impressed with the dimensions of the popular protest against party bossism which was registered in this city yesterday

The figures that tell the story of one of the most remarkable municipal contests in the history of Chicago are chiefly significant in their revelation of the power that is lodged in a fearless electorate when aroused by the arrogance and audacity of machine domination in municipal politics.

Having been repeatedly rebuked and repudiated by their own party, the Lorimer Hertz-Pease combine of spoils-jobbers sought with brazen effrontery to establish itself in public favor by nominating for mayor a man of colorless record, of fine ability and marked attainments. His record as a judge of the superior court was above reproach. His private life was beyond the reach of slander.

But the people would not be deceived. Skulking behind the candidacy of the reputable judge was the unsavory trio of gangsters. The judicial raiment became tarred with the blackness of machine tactics As election day drew near the upright judge, in the desperation of impending defeat, allowed the gang to use his good name to solicit questionable legislation at Springfield to influence votes in his behalf.

Foreseeing that their nominee was doomed to defeat through the marvelous independent movement led by the dauntless Harlan, the gang betrayed Sears in a foul and shameful manner. Dazed by the tremendous uprising of the people, the machine stooped to treachery unspeakable and threw its support to Harrison, leaving Sears to shift for himself.

Despite the triumph of one machine at the expense of the other's candidate, the battle will go down in our municipal annals as the greatest Waterloo ever met by boodism and gangsters in the history of Chicago politics The 6th of April, 1897, will be more remarkable for Harlan's great race with the allied machines against him than for Harrison's victory.

Views on the Battle.

The Chicago Tribune Undoubtedly a large number of Republicans voted for Mr Harrison. They were disgusted with the wrangling and the washing of dirty linen within their own party. They made up their minds that Judge Sears could not be elected and that this would be an excellent opportunity to express emphatically their disgust with the present methods of party organization and the exponents of these methods.

Since Mr. Harrison owes his election to votes drawn from both parties and since his plurality is so great, he has every encouragement to give the people a good administration. He can feel that he will have the people behind him as long as he does well, and that he can afford to rise to a certain extent superior to party.

He need not feel that he is dependent on the support of any particular element of the Democracy. He is under no obligation to subject himself to the personal influence of any member of his party, or feel that he is indebted to one man more than another for his election.

As the Tribune said yesterday, he is calm, even tempered, and a fairly good judge of human nature. He is able to pick out good heads of departments, and see that they do their duty The Tribune believes he is disposed to do that, and will adhere to that belief until Mr. Harrison furnishes evidence to the contrary.

As for Mr Harlan, he ran against the Republican organization and defeated it. He does not seem to have run against the Democratic machine except as the wild buffalo used to run against the locomotive. He and his friends may get comfort out of the fact that the Republican party of Chicago is split in two in the middle. They may be consoled for their failure to make any impression on the Democratic machine by the fact that Judge Sears got a smaller number of votes than Mr. Harlan. But Judge Sears' friends could not be any happier had the figures as between him and Harlan been reversed. For he who receives the larger number of votes cast by the members of a divided and defeated party scores a barren victory.

Mr. Harlan set out professedly to smash both party organizations. He has succeeded in disrupting one, but he has succeeded at the same time in establishing the Democratic organization in this city on a firmer basis than for many years.

It may be that Harlan has done his work so thoroughly as to give that Democratic organization an indefinite lease of power. Not since the days of the elder Harrison has the Democratic "machine" been given such a boost as Harlan has given it. This reflection may temper his rejoicings over the fact that his vote exceeds that of Judge Sears. He and his supporters are entitled to all the consolation they can get from a calm survey of the figures this morning. They have beaten and humiliated the Republican party and insured Democratic ascendency for some time to come. If this is what they set out to do they should rejoice and be exceeding glad, otherwise, not. For the Prodigal Son, after a long diet of husks, has returned to the Democratic household of faith and he is again making merry with his friends.

The Result.

The results of the recent elections are not discouraging to the Republicans though the free silver people are attempting to make it appear so. The only great change apparently against the Republicans was in Chicago which is clearly accounted for in the fact that it was the chosen time of those Republicans, who are opposed to the rule of an office getting syndicate composed of three or four narrow minded individuals, to protect themselves from the domination of those people. The only avenue open to the accomplishment of this was the defeat the candidates of the little combine which meant the defeat of the party. It is the only means left to honest people to protect their rights.

The Harrison victory was not a free silver victory and hence was not a revolution against the Republican party. Had W J Bryan been permitted to campaign in the city, had John P. Altgeld been permitted to run the campaign then the claim set up by the free silverites might be logical, but these men were kept out of the fight and nothing was said anywhere in the campaign about national issues. They were buried or kept out of sight to save the vote which is opposed to free silver but inclined to go for Harrison.

Then again it will be observed by the returns that everywhere the vote was light and the diligence of the candidates measured the result as to whether the Democrats or Republicans profited by the light vote One hundred thousand failed to vote in Chicago. Over 2400 out of a total of 6193 votes cast in Decatur township in November failed to be recorded at the spring election and so it has been all along the line The year following the presidential election is always characterized by the greatest apathy among those who do not appreciate the privilege of American citizenship and who do not comprehend its responsibilities They are the class that must be dragged to the polls either by pumping them full of enthusiasm through the influence of a long campaign or by hauling them to and from the polls to perform a freeman's duty. In off years, especially in local election, there is not steam enough to go to the expense necessary to induce them to do their duty and they stay away from the polls.

In the recent election in some cases the result was favorable to the Republicans while in others it was favorable to the Democrats but in no case where the Republicans lost as in Chicago and Cincinnati is there any trouble to account for the result along the line of local dissention and in not a single instance is it clear that the result was due to a change of sentiment on national issues

There has been no reason for a change of opinion The new administration has just gone into power It has not been in power long enough to put its policies into law and into force. The people know this. They are depending upon protection to bring prosperity back. They know that the tariff bill is pending now in congress called into special session to enact such a law. The voter would have to be ignorant indeed not to know of these conditions and while the masses are waiting for them the masses were enlisted in the spring elections in disposing of the offensive bosses that have pestered the party and in some instances they have done a right good job.

The City Election.

It will only be a few days more than one week until the voters of Decatur will elect a mayor, city clerk, city attorney, treasurer and seven aldermen to serve two years At the recent township election there were 2490 voters who did not vote. This means that 2490 voters did not do their duty as American citizens. Every political privilege enjoyed by American citizens was established in war in the behalf of American citizens, and for that reason these privileges are important Another peculiarity is that these privileges, having been established on the battle field, it was supposed that every citizen would deem them of sufficient importance to exercise them, hence, there are no laws to compel men to perform these duties, and when they are performed they are exercised by free consent Of course this means that the non-appreciative and unconcerned may neglect them without incurring punishment. All such citizens are forgetful of the fact, that, in a government of the people, the voter not only owes the exercise of his franchise to himself and family, but to others as well Every political division is entitled to the best judgment of every voter expressed at the polls, and no man who fails to vote measures up to the responsibilities which rest upon the American sovereign. A king could not be excused for neglecting his duty, as a sovereign, to the state and the people Under our form of government every voter is a king, a sovereign, and is under obligation to exercise that sovereignty in the interest of the people as well as himself, and no spectacle in such a government is more disgusting and speaks less for the safety and perpetuity of the republic than to see men stay away from the polls or so unconcerned as to their duties, as to have to be dragged to the polls in carriages.

In the Republican city primaries over 2600 votes were cast. It would be a travesty upon liberty, if the Republican ticket were to receive less votes at the election than were cast at the primaries, and yet there is danger of that very thing happening unless the voters wake up and rise to the dignity of true American citizens and go to the polls, voluntarily, enthusiastically and freely. And why should they not go to the polls. Good city government means more to the most unimportant voter than a state election. The result will have more bearing upon his rights as a citizen, upon his enjoyment in life, than any state election. The city, and the township as well, collects many times more dollars from the people in the shape of taxes than the state does, and yet, for some unaccountable reason, voters are better inclined to go to the polls at a state election than a city or township election.

Voters should think these matters over and if they cannot, in face of the foregoing statements, find an excuse for staying away from the polls, and they cannot, then they should go to the polls at the city election, with their heads up like independent American citizens, with great big consciences and vote like men determined not to lower their dignity by having to be importuned before they consent to vote.

James M. Lee.

J. M. Lee has held the office of city attorney for four years and has proven himself to be one of the most careful and competent legal advisers the city has ever had He is thoroughly acquainted with the duties of the office and is recognized by the courts and his fellow lawyers as an excellent judge of law. His opinions on legal questions almost invariably stand the test of the courts

During his term of office the city has had more damage suits of an important nature to defend than during the ten years immediately prior to his first election While these suits were for amounts ranging from $1500 to $20,000 each, and were brought by persons represented by some of the ablest lawyers in the city, all with but one exception, have been decided in favor of the city.

Owing to the great number of public improvements constructed by the city during the last four years, the greater part of the city attorney's work has been in the county court where, during that time he has had more than seventy special assessment cases and in these, there have been many hard fought legal contests, all of which Mr Lee has conducted without assistance, although at times opposed by two or three able lawyers and in each instance the city has been sustained by the court and the improvements have not been delayed. In the supreme court, unaided, he carried the case of the city vs I C R. R. Co, to a successful termination for the city. His management of the legal affairs of the city has been satisfactory to the people and demonstrated that he is the right man for the office.

COUNTY COURT.

Petitions Filed in the Case of the Casner Estate—Creditors of Eichinger Ask to File Their Claims.

From the Daily of Thursday.

In the county court today there was filed a petition signed by a large number of the creditors of Lewis B Casner asking that John A. Dawson, the assignee, be removed and that some discreet and uninterested person be appointed to the place. The petition stated as a cause for the removal of the assignee is that he is a son-in-law of Mr Casner, that Casner had transferred to Mrs Dawson land which Mr Dawson had not made any effort to recover, and that some claims had been paid in full. Several causes are named and the petitioners pray that on account of the relations of the assignee to the assignor and the creditors he be removed.

The signatures on the petition represent about eighty-five creditors. Cobe and McKinney of Chicago, represent fifty of these amounting to about $12,000. The American Trust and Savings bank of Chicago is the largest creditor their claim being $14,805 66. The other claims range all the way from small amounts up to several thousand dollars.

The Eichinger Case.

This afternoon attorneys representing creditors of the Michael Eichinger estate argued to be allowed to file their claims which had not been previously filed during the thirty days required by law. Attorney I. R. Mills, Attorney W. E. Redman, Attorney Park and Attorney Webber represented the different creditors

Election in Friends Creek.

The election in Friends' Creek township on Tuesday resulted in a Republican victory. The Democrats succeeded in electing the collector, but that was all. Below is the result:

Republican—Town clerk, F. Benton, 204, assessor, H. M Strever, 221, collector, J. McFarland, 193, commissioner of highways, Samuel Gerber, 197, justice of the peace, J. W Six, 199, W. H. Hartman, 185; constables, Bunn Parr, 196, John Shan on, 214; cemetery trustee, Benjamin Gaken, 195.

Democrat—Town clerk, R Clifton, 183; assessor, J. M. Pullum, 166, collector, A. L. Bowersock, 194, commissioner of highways, T. F. Massey, 188; justice of peace, J. W. Kile, 198, C D Majors, 174; constables, J W. Ray, 179; J. A Brennan, 171; cemetery trustee, John W. Parr, sr., 185.

Crunell was Favored.

Leonard Crunell, the sculptor of this city, was one of the fortunate artists whose work was chosen to represent Chicago at the Nashville exhibition. The committee having the matter in charge chose two of Mr. Crunell's pieces of statuary to be sent to the exhibition. It was quite a compliment to Mr Crunell that his work was chosen as that of only a few artists will be sent to the fair.

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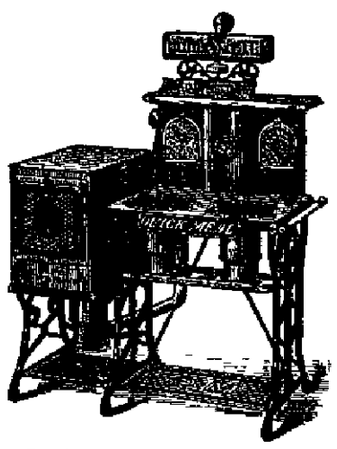

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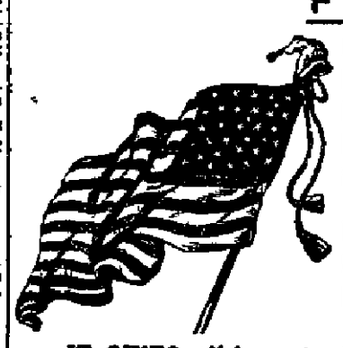

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By the Treasurer of Township No. 15, Range No. 3, in Macon county, Illinois, for the year beginning April 1, 1896, and ending April 1, 1897.

ACCOUNT WITH SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

Receipts.

Township Fund on hand at beginning	$ 50.00
Distributable Funds on hand at same date	250 10
Interest	73 02

Expenditures.

Township Fund (Loaned)	$ 50 00
Distributed to Districts	296 32
Treasurer's salary	50 00
Incidental expenses	6 60
Publishing former statement	2 30
Totals	$403 62 $403 02

ACCOUNT WITH SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

Receipts.

On hand at beginning	$1197 17
Distribution of Trustees	100 08
Taxes	2713 31
Delinquent tax	157 47
District property sold	8 40

Expenditures.

Teachers' salaries	$2820 76
Furniture and apparatus	54 20
District Clerks	28 60
Repairs and improvements	289 97
Incidental expenses	218 51
Loans	500 00
On hand at ending	3300 10
Totals	$7357 05 $7357 05

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I, J. S. Hughes, Treasurer of Township No. 15, Range No. 3 in Macon county, Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing statement is correct.

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Death at Maroa.

W. H Torrence died Tuesday morning at Maroa of softening of the brain after a lingering illness. He was aged 44 years He leaves a wife, two sisters at Richmond, Ind., and a brother in Colorado. He was a retired farmer, having lived in Maroa two years.

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OUR NEIGHBORS.

Lake City.

Mrs. John Acorn spent Sunday at the bedside of her father, Mr. S Cable, in Decatur, who is not expected to live.

A few cases of measles yet exist in our village.

C. A. Saffle of Ft. Scott, Kas., has been called home on account of the serious illness of his sister, who is very low with consumption. He started on his return trip home Monday evening.

Macy Redfern and his sister Paul spent Sunday with relatives in Lovington.

Dr W. P. Davidson recently a graduate of L. M. C., contemplates locating at La Place.

John Hoyt of La Place was seen on our streets Tuesday.

The farmers are waiting anxiously for the opening of spring in order to begin work.

Tom Logan of Hervey City is now a resident of our village.

Easter exercises will be given at the M E. church on next Sunday at 2:30 p. m., and at Adkin's chapel northeast of town at night.

Mr Robert Smith was in Sullivan Monday and had an operation performed on his lip by having a piece taken from it. The trouble indicated as being the start of a cancer. Dr. E. P. Miller did the work.

Mrs Wm. Winings has returned from Terre Haute where she has been taking treatment for a cancer. She is reported better.

Sam Adams is erecting a dwelling in the north part of our village. Others are contemplating building.

Our city can now boast of a barber and a shoemaker, consolidated in one man.

Blue Mound.

John McKaig was shopping in Decatur Tuesday.

A. R. Dorr of Harvel was here on business Tuesday.

Henry Batoner is able to be out again.

John Palmer, who has been visiting in Ohio for the last two months, returned home last week.

Frank Miller, of Hamilton county, Ind., is here on business this week.

Mrs. Mary Wonderly, who had a stroke of paralysis last week causing her friends considerable alarm, is yet alive but no hopes for her recovery.

Miss Jane McKaig, an elderly maiden of this village, is suffering with dropsy of the lower limbs.

John Wilson, four miles northwest of Blue Mound, nearly severed the two middle fingers of his left hand Monday while sharpening a wedge to fasten a handle in an ax Dr Matthew dressed the wounded hand.

Rev. W. L. Bankson and Miss Agnes Brown visited Decatur Monday.

Contractor Hartsock began work on two dwelling houses which Dr. Matthew is having put up on his lots at the crossing of Lewis and Seibering streets.

Dutten.

Miss Hettie Markman returned from Olney last Friday

C. A Gregory visited his parents in Lovington Saturday.

James Kite visited relatives near Prairie Hall Sunday.

Miss Sarah Vance is visiting her sister, Mrs Frank Pasley.

George Hines and family have moved into the residence lately vacated by Thomas Logan and family.

Mr. and Mrs I. C Britton visited relatives at Elwin Thursday.

The Shelbyville Telephone company is putting up a line through to Decatur which passed through this place. Pratt & Co. are to have a phone in their grain office

Oats sowing has begun and men are trying to get their grain in between showers.

Cerner.

The blacksmith shop is finished and S. D. Todd, the smith, is at work. Bring in your repairing to be done and plows to be sharpened.

Mrs. Susan Bushart is much improved and is now in a fair way to again be out in a few weeks

Mrs J. W. McDonald spent a part of last week visiting friends and relatives in Decatur.

Mr. M V. Lonergan of Decatur, formerly of this place, crossed palms with friends here Saturday

C. P Noland of Danville, Ind., is visiting the family of his uncle, John Underwood, this week

Easter exercises will begin promptly at 10 o'clock Sunday morning at the chapel There has been so much rainy weather that it has been a difficult matter to get the children to practice and too much must not be expected of them.

Mrs. Wilson spent Friday night in Decatur with relatives.

But few oats have been sown at this writing and if the rain does not cease in a few days the acreage will be very small

John A. Wilson has had an experience with starting fire with coal oil which he will not repeat. Joints of stovepipe lying scattered in various rooms, soot all over everything in the house and the house led with smoke, are not conditions to be desired by all.

Dalton City.

Patrick Griffin, Michael Dwyer, J. H Nolan, Mike Nolan and Thomas Duggan were Decatur visitors last week.

Moze Sherman of Lake City visited our city last week.

Al Edwards of Mt. Zion, was on our streets Saturday.

Miss Anna Griffin visited Decatur Saturday.

Miss Vida Uppendahl visited Bethany Saturday.

Misses Lelia Mulvey and Kate Duggan visited Bethany last week.

Harry Griffin visited Decatur Monday.

Richard Mulvey of Findlay, visited our city Monday.

James Reeder commenced work on the P., D. & E. railroad Monday.

Mike McCarthy transacted business in Decatur Tuesday.

Miss Grace Beard is visiting friends in Prairie Home.

Frank Foley transacted business in Decatur Tuesday.

Mrs W. H. Taylor and daughter transacted business in Decatur Monday.

Joseph Hagerty transacted business in Decatur Monday.

Mrs W H. Taylor and Miss Bottomfield have opened up one of the finest millinery stores that ever was in Dalton City in the Taylor-Uppendahl building on Main street, where they will keep a full line of goods for the customers.

Maroa.

Mrs. Joseph Jones is sick with long fever.

The funeral of Miss Kate Bautler took place Saturday at 10 o'clock from the real house. The services were conducted by Elder Lloyd Newcomer. The songs, "Nearer My God to Thee," "Over the River," and "Waiting by the River" were rendered by Misses Myrle Vernon, Lottie Crowell, Mrs. Mollie Conover, H. M Funk and Elder Newcomer. The pallbearers were Messrs. Charles Huff, Henry Wykoff, Oscar Eberhart, G. T. Covault, D. N. Gray and Joseph Swift. Burial at Ridge.

Mrs. Otto V. Gates of Ionia, Mich., is visiting her brother, Rev. Lloyd Newcomer.

Miss Grace Wysong of Kenney, spent Sunday with her parents.

S. H. Covault and Bert Jones returned Friday from Kirkville, Mo.

Mrs. Emerick is visiting friends in Decatur

Mr. Streets, who visited E. L Kemp and family, left Saturday for his home at Wenona

Charles Bennett of Decatur, visited friends here over Sunday.

Wm. Hanna of Bloomington, was in town Monday.

The young people's societies of the different churches will hold a prayer meeting in the Presbyterian church on Easter morning at 6 o'clock.

Rev Waterbury of Cerro Gordo, was in town Monday.

Mr. and Mrs C. E Gaskill of Mowequa, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs Frank Stroud, left yesterday to attend the wedding of a relative in Galesburg

E. J. Carter is confined to his room by an attack of the grip.

Mrs J H. Crocker and Mrs. W. Y. McLean are attending presbytery at Springfield.

Nicholas Huffman returned Saturday from Jasper county.

Mrs. L T. Croell left Wednesday for a visit with her parents at Hamilton, Ohio.

Miss Lucy Boulter of Springfiled, was called home by the death of her sister, Miss Kate Bautler.

The funeral of W. H. Torrence was held Wednesday at 2 o'clock from the Presbyterian church. The services were conducted by Rev. J. H. Waterbury assisted by Rev. J. C. Hanna.

Mrs. Will Hill is among the sick

Rev. Dart of Chicago lectured to a large audience at the Christian church on Tuesday evening.

SUPREME CONVENTION.

Judicial Delegates to Meet in Decatur To-Morrow.

From the Daily of Wednesday.

The court house corridors will be thronged tomorrow by eighty one delegates to the Republican convention of the Third supreme judicial district, which includes the counties of Sangamon, Macon, Logan, Piatt, Douglas, Champaign, Vermilion, McLean, Livingston, Ford, Iroquois, Coles, Edgar, Moultrie, DeWitt and Tazewell. Judge Wilkin of Danville, the present incumbent, will be the nominee He has held this position for one term, nine years As this is a Republican district, Judge Wilkin will be elected.

The delegates for Macon county are I. R. Mills, Edwin Park and J M. Clokey of Decatur, R. H. Woodcock of Macon, Joseph Miller of Blue Mound and T. H Barr of Maroa.

Teachers' Meeting at Lake City.

The teachers' meeting which was held at this place on Saturday last was well attended. The subjects discussed were as follows: "Observation Work," discussion opened by W. H. Dickson, followed by Miss Keaths of Decatur, Supt. Lowe of Sullivan, and others The next subject was "Language Work," opened by Miss Griffin, having her language class present and illustrating her manner of teaching the subject. All present were very much interested and heartily agreed with Miss Griffin as to the ways of successful language teaching.

The subject of "Music" was next discussed by Miss Keaths followed by singing C C. Andrews of Dalton, next opened the discussion on the subject of "Text Books," followed by Mr. Legget of Sullivan, Miss Burks of Lake City, and others. Quite a difference of opinion existed and was freely made known by those present. Some advocated the discarding of text books altogether, while others were inclined to think that we needed something, to keep a uniformity of work other than that the teacher has time to arrange. The subject of attendance was briefly discussed by all present By motion the meeting extended to the people of the village a cordial vote of thanks for the hospitality shown them while in the village. The meeting then adjourned subject to call by the district president and secretary.

Resolutions of Respect.

At a regular meeting of Blue Mound Post, N. 347, G. A. R., held April 18, 1897, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, it has pleased the all wise Creator of the universe to remove from our midst our late comrade, Past Commander Aaron B Shick, who at the time of his death was our quartermaster and

Whereas, it is but just that a fitting recognition of his many virtues and also of his usefulness as a citizen and comrade should be had, therefore, be it

Resolved, That while we bow with humble submission to the will of our Heavenly Father we do not the less mourn for our dear comrade, and quartermaster, who has been taken from us by the ravages of the destroyer death.

Resolved, That in the death of Comrade Shick, this post has lost a member who was ever ready to extend a helping hand and words of sympathy to the needy and distressed of the order, also an efficient quartermaster and active member of our post as well as a citizen whose upright and noble life was an ideal worthy of emulation by every true comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Resolved, That the heartfelt sympathies of this post be and they are hereby extended to his wife and children in their great affliction and bereavement.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread on the records of this post, and a copy thereof be presented to the companion of our deceased comrade, also that copies be sent to the Decatur Republican and Blue Mound Leader for publication.

J. K. Hardy, commander.
P. Ubrich, adjutant.

Slow About Marrying.

The people in this neighborhood seem to be a little slow about getting married the past week. There has not been a marriage license issued by the county clerk for six days, a longer period than usually runs without someone applying for a license.

Queen Victoria's crown contains 2783 diamonds, 277 pearls, 27 emeralds, 17 sapphires and rubies.

Grand Army Items.

The Woman's Relief Corps is arranging for an entertainment at the opera house April 27. They will give the opera Pinafore. The indications are that it will be a great success.

A banquet will be tendered Commander Cochran and staff in Chicago next Monday evening.

Thomas Peniwell, agent, has completed arrangements with Commander Cochran and the railroads to run the headquarters train over the P., D. & E. railway to Galesburg on the occasion of the meeting of the state encampment. The train will start from Olney the morning of May 4th and will leave Decatur at 8 35 and will be the headquarters train for the W. R.C. as well as the Grand Army. There will be a change of cars at Peoria but all who go on this train will arrive in Galesburg before noon. Commander Cochran and staff will be on the train.

The Rev. Miller Life Insurance.

Bloomington Bulletin, 11th: Sarah W. Miller by her attorneys, T C. Kerrick and Judge Reeves, commenced suit Saturday against the K. T. and Masons' Life Indemnity for $10,000 insurance carried by her late husband, Rev. James Miller, who was pastor of Grace church It will be remembered that he was found shot to death in an alley at Decatur. It was at first pronounced murder and later declared by some to be suicide. The company resists payment on the ground of a suicide clause in the policy invalidating it. The friends of Rev Miller scout the idea of suicide. He had carried this insurance for several years, and the company has made a tender of $1000 he paid in premiums.

Hounds Called Out Again.

This morning Roy Bendure and Israel Florey left for Chestnut, a little town near Kinney, Ill., with their two blood hounds. They received a message to bring the dogs at once. The message did not state what had happened but it probably is another burglary as there has been a number of robberies in that vicinity lately.

Ottawa, Ill., March 19, 1897

I have been treated by Dr. Miller of Chicago and find myself well, after I had thought I could not recover from that terrible chronic indigestion, and nervous weakness, caused by my teamach being unable to perfrom its daily task I am able to do a day's work for the first time in a year, and am gaining strenght daily.
E P. Hess.

Consultation free at Hotel St. Nicholas, Wednesday April 21, 1897

Appointed Administrator.

In the matter of the estate of the late Clarissa Devore in the county court a petition was filed by the husband, Virgil Devore, asking that Albert H. Cope be appointed administrator. The petition was granted and the administrator was required to give bond in the sum of $100.

When a person is losing flesh and wasting away there is cause for alarm Nothing so worries a physician. Consumptives would never die if they could regain their usual weight. In fact there would be no consumption if there was no wasting of the system The cause of this loss of flesh is a failure to properly digest the food eaten. Nine-tenths of all our diseases date back to some derangement of the stomach.

The Shaker Digestive Cordial will stop this wasting of the body. It acts by causing the food we eat to be digested so as to do good, for undigested food does more harm than good. The Cordial contains food already digested and is a digester of foods as well.

Every mother hates to make her children take Castor Oil Laxol is sweet Castor Oil.

Sales of Real Estate

Charles C Leforgee to Julia A. Leforgee, a forty-foot lot on Union street in Kaufman's addition, $3500.

Julia A. Leforgee to Charles C. Leforgee, lot 10 in block 1 in the southwestern addition to Decatur, $12,000.

William N. Bowen to Lowell A. Smith, 89 80 acres in section 7, 15, 3 east, $10.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions and positively cures Piles, or no pay required It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by E. A. West, the druggist.

Graduating Exercises

The commencement exercises of the Macon schools will be held at the Methodist church in that town next Friday evening. A class of eight will be graduated. Last Sunday evening Rev. John Roberts preached the graduation sermon to the members of the class at the Presbyterian church.

500 Pairs Ladies'

and Misses' Low Shoes, $2 to $3 grades, Tan and Black, for 89c. Lowest price you ever saw on good shoes. Powers' Shoe Store

Killed at Milmine.

About midnight last Saturday a man named Benson was killed by the Wabash fast mail train at Milmine about twenty miles east of this city. The man got off the east bound Wabash train and stopped in front of the fast train. His arm was cut off and his body bidly mangled. Benson was a farm hand living near Milmine.

Left the M. E. Conference.

Clinton Public: A report has been circulating in Clinton to the effect that Rev. W. J. Tull, formerly pastor of the Methodist church here, but later of Carrollton, had left the Methodist conference, and accepted a call of the Presbyterian church in Litchfield.

The road commissioners should drive for the edification over the road from Elwin to Bailey. It is likely that they would plan to put a false bottom in terra firma about the time they emerge from the last mud hole that extends from side to side of the road.

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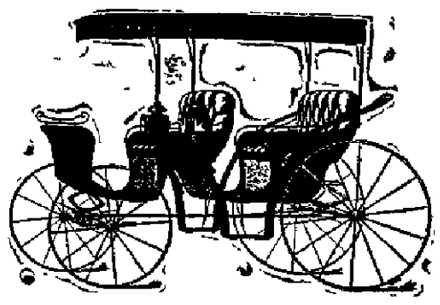

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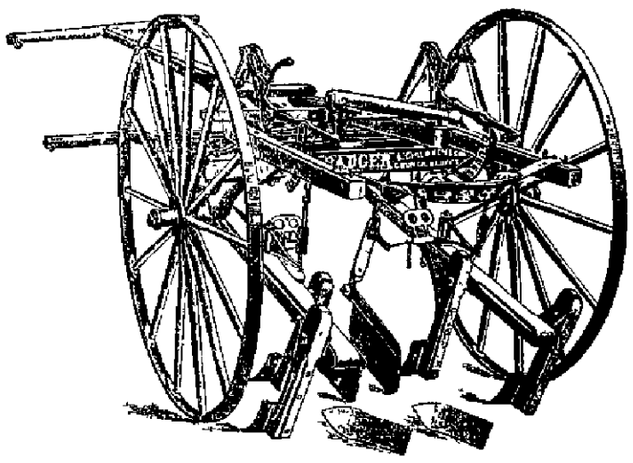

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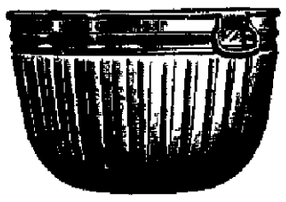

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Salt dissolved in alcohol will remove grease spot

Served Three Years.

Richard J. Ellis, who has been a private in Troop H, second regiment, United States regular army, stationed at Ft Reilley, Kansas, has returned to his home in Decatur on a furlough. He entered the service at 18 and has been on duty for three years Dick will probably remain at home, as he has other plans in life. He thinks the strict discipline of military life is good for any young man and he is glad that he has had the experience afforded him.

Aristotle (B. C. 347) is said to be the father of the science of botany.

Death of Miss Fletcher.

From the Daily of Monday.

Miss Stella Fletcher, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fletcher, died shortly before noon today at the family residence southwest of the city, aged 34 years. Miss Fletcher's death was caused by a congestive chill and was very sudden. She was taken ill last night and gradually grew worse until the time of her death. The deceased was quite well known and had many friends in the city.

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DECATUR, ILL.

PERSONAL—The gentleman who annoyed the congregation last Sunday by continually coughing will find instant relief by using One Minute Cough Cure, a speedy and harmless remedy for throat and lung troubles. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Dr. W. W. Robinson of Manito, left Tuesday for Edelstein, Peoria county, where he will locate.

A Queer (?) Medicine.

There is a medicine whose proprietors do not claim to have discovered some hitherto unknown ingredient, or that it is a cure-all. This honest medicine only claims to cure certain diseases, and that its ingredients are recognized by the most skilled physicians as being the best for Kidney and Bladder Diseases. It is Foley's Kidney Cure. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

TOLD THE STORY.

Draper Confesses That He is the Murderer of C. L. Hastings.

INTENSE INTEREST AT JACKSONVILLE

The People of the Quiet City Astounded by the Developments in the Sensational Tragedy—Mystery Cleared Up.

Jacksonville, Ill., April 8—The great murder mystery is cleared up. Now the people know how C. L. Hastings met his death in Judge Kirby's office and they know that C. L. Draper is the murderer. Draper has made a complete confession, which shows that he did not have murder in his heart when he was surprised in the judge's office. Below is a copy of the confession as given to the public last evening:

Draper's Confession.

To the Rev. Dr. Morey, pastor of State street Presbyterian church—My Dear Sir: As my pastor and spiritual adviser, I desire to make to you, and through you to the coroner of Morgan county, Illinois, a full, true and perfect statement of the facts and circumstances that led to the death of Chas. L. Hastings, on the evening of March 31 last.

In the fall of 1878 I entered the service of Judge Kirby I became clerk of his abstract office in the city of Jacksonville, Ill., and continued in his service until the last of January, 1896. By my long service in the office I became familiar with the business of the office and the methods of conducting the same.

On the evening of the 31st of March I entered the office of Judge Kirby between 8 and 9 o'clock. When I entered the office there was no one there. I had with me at the time an unlighted lantern, which I lighted after getting in the office. I know the combination of the vault and went and opened it and took a book therefrom and placed it on a desk next to the vault. I had barely opened the book when I heard a noise at the front door. When I heard footsteps on the stairs I extinguished the light of the lantern.

I started to the front, to the room leading to the closet. When Hastings opened the door that led from the hall to the abstract office I had not been able to reach the door of my intended exit.

Life and Death Struggle.

At this time it was very dark in the room and no object could be seen. As soon as he entered the office he struck a match and light from it enabled him to see me for a moment.

He called me by name and rushed upon me and seized me. I had on my overcoat at the time when he seized hold of me. In the struggle I was thrown down, with his knee upon me. While in this position I took the knife which is now in the possession of the coroner, and began to use it as best I could to free myself from him.

The struggle was altogether in the dark and I could not tell how the knife took effect. To the best of my knowledge the struggle lasted fifteen or twenty minutes.

After the struggle I replaced the book in the vault, locked it and left the room by the front door, with my overcoat still on. After reaching the street I immediately started east to my office and entered the same, and while washing my face Alfred Morrison came to the door and said that he had seen blood on my face, and wanted to know if he could do anything for me. I am not able now to recall my exact answer.

I remained in my office for some time; how long I can not state. While there I discovered some blood on my overcoat. When I left the office I started to my home, crossed the street and went down the alley by Widmayer's to Morgan street and from there went to Church street, thence south to College avenue, or what is known as the Strawn lot in the southwest corner of Church street and College avenue

Blood-Stained Clothing Burned.

It was very dark. I stumbled into what seemed to be a hole, and on leaving threw into said hole the lantern I had used that evening Unless it has been removed, it will be found there now. From there I went on College avenue to Kosciusko street and thence to my home.

I entered the house by the front door, leaving my overshoes outside, and then took off my overcoat and placed it on a chair in the dining room. I then went upstairs and found my wife and daughter in bed and asleep. I avoided making a noise, so as not to disturb either of them. I removed all of my clothing and put on a night shirt and went to bed on a lounge, where I usually sleep in the same room with my wife.

I arose about 5:30 in the morning and put on fresh clothing, including shirts, drawers, socks, vest and handkerchief. After discovering in the morning that the clothing I had worn the night before had blood on them I took them, together with the overcoat, downstairs to the furnace room and put them in the furnace, where they were destroyed.

I afterwards discovered blood stains on my pants, coat and hat. I tried to wash these stains out, and in doing so the water went through to the underclothing I had on when I was arrested.

The keys I had to Judge Kirby's office can be found in the furnace room at my house, on the wall next to the cold air duct in the northwest corner of the furnace room.

Any statements made by me at the coroner's inquest or elsewhere are untrue, so far as they conflict with this statement

I had no right to be in Judge Kirby's office at the time, and I do not seek to justify it in the slightest, and but for my knowledge of this wrongful entering his office without leave I would have told the whole truth at once.

Charles L. Draper.

It appears that Draper, who possessed keys to Judge Kirby's office desired to get a description of a piece of land that he knew to be in one of the books in the safe. He resolved to secure the information, and finding the office unoccupied he entered the place and while in the act of looking for the description Hastings came in. Then came the struggle and the murder in the dark. Much sympathy is expressed for Draper's wife and daughter.

GRECIAN SCENES AND PEOPLE.

Paper Read by Mrs. W. T. Wells at the Woman's Club Meeting.

There was a very interesting meeting of the Art and Literary Division at the Woman's club assembly room yesterday afternoon, and notwithstanding the disagreeable state of the weather the attendance was large. Mrs. Dr. H. C. Johns gave an instructive review of a book of poems by Rudyard Kipling.

The paper on "Thoughts Upon Greece as Seen by Ourselves," read by Mrs. W. T. Wells, who with her husband and a touring party, visited the Holy Land a year ago, was a composition timely and instructive. It treated of the peculiarities of the country and people, the city of Athens, the Altec plain, the Acropolis, the Illisus, the Marathon races, the Greek church, and various points of absorbing interest to the American tourist. This synopsis of the paper is given:

Mrs. Wells said that she was conscious that the entire world was now talking of Greece, and stated that in no place in Europe visited were the impressions so vivid as were those made on her mind in Greece. She said that perhaps this was partly due to the fact that she and her husband came into the country from the accursed land of the Turk, where the blight of neglect and poverty marked every spot. Their last port before Piraeus was Smyrna with the ruins of Ephesus. Here the once temple of Diana was invaded by grazing cattle. When her party entered the Piraeus it was an April morning but the weather was more like that of our June. After landing, the party was driven to Athens a distance of five miles, the road running along the long wall, and the drive being shaded by beautiful poplars. Once outside the Piraeus the party entered upon the Attic plain and in a little while the Acropolis was in sight. There was a long, gentle sloping road, ending abruptly in a crown of rock, which supported the Parthenon, the Propylea and the Erectheum. This rock seemed to be held in place by the walls of ancient ruins which are guarded with jealous eyes by the Greek government. One half mile to the north of the Acropolis lies the new city of Athens, nestling under Mt. Hymettus, from the summit of which Pentellicus can be seen looking quite near but in reality ten miles away. Half way between Hymettus and the Acropolis is the Stadion, built on the ruins of the old stadium. No description written or spoken has ever done credit to the natural perfection of the Stadion. The front of the arena is perfect level opening toward the city, with the Acropolis in line of vision on the left and Hymettus on the right. The seats are on three sides of the hills, which tower high above and accommodate thousands who can look upon the games. Athens is entirely modern. The streets are very wide and paved with marble. The houses are built upon the street and are of stone and marble. They are not palatial but classical. The one disagreeable feature is the fine marble dust blown by the wind which rises every day at about 10 o'clock. At the time of Mrs. Wells' visit the national games were in progress and the city was in holiday attire. The effect was that of a master hand carrying out one general plan. To the left of their hotel was the king's palace, with its plain facade and long sloping lawn. At no place during the trip did they have so much trouble in making themselves understood as in Athens It seemed that every one spoke every language but English. The speaker too gave a very entertaining description of the great games in the Stadion and told of the homage paid the Greek peasant who won the twenty-six mile race in two hours and fifty-five seconds, King George meeting him at the edge of the Stadion and supporting him amid a scene of enthusiasm that has seldom been equalled. The people dress mainly in the European costume but during the games every one was in holiday attire and the Albanian costume was the most picturesque. The ruins of ancient Athens are jealously guarded by the government and no improvements are permitted on the part of the bill leading to Acropolis The speaker said that they attended a Greek church where there are no seats and where the worshippers either stand or kneel Upon the railings and pillars were many beautifully framed pictures of the saints which the elegantly dressed saint and the dirty sinner kissed in constant succession. The government is bankrupt but the patriotism and generosity of the people is princely It is a point of honor with every Greek wherever he lives or dies to leave something for the adornment of Athens or the education of his countrymen. The servants are dignified and courteous and one could not offer them a fee. After leaving Greece the party visited the Island of Corfu, which Napoleon said was the most beautiful spot in the world. The speaker said that with such an authority she could do more than pronounce it that, and gave a very entertaining description of this celebrated island and its beauties.

Paxton Wedding.

Paxton, Ill., April 9.—E. N. Stevens and Miss Eleanor Smith were married last evening, Rev. George E. Wilson of the Congregational church, officiating Mr Stevens is junior editor and publisher of the Record, and was postmaster under Harrison's administration. His bride has for twelve years or more been the deputy postmaster.

A Beacon of Hope

To those afflicted with Kidney or Bladder Diseases is Foley's Kidney Cure. Guaranteed. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

EASTERN QUESTION.

Belief Becoming Prevalent that the Powers Have Made a Failure.

THAT THE BOASTED CONCERT IS SHAM

The Turks are Still Arming and Preparing for a Conflict They Feel the Powers Cannot Prevent.

Constantinople, April 9.—War preparations throughout the Turkish empire continue to be steadily pressed. Although there is not much change in the eastern situation a very pessimistic feeling prevails here at the failure of the powers in their attempts to coerce Greece. The blockade of the Piraeus seems as far off as ever and the war party is bringing pressure to bear on the government with the results that the porte has dispatched circulars to representatives abroad setting forth that Turkey is growing impatient at the prolongation of the crisis which is pressing heavily on already embarrassed exchequers. The belief prevails here that the powers are losing control over the course of events and that their so-called concert is a failure. A new danger has arisen through the circulation of a pamphlet reciting alleged Christian atrocities on the Mussulmans in Crete and elsewhere. This has greatly inflamed the Turks against the Greeks and the government has been compelled to take measures to prevent outbreaks by the populists.

SHOCKED TO DEATH.

Charles Landhon Instantly Killed by a Live Light Wire.

Chicago, April 9.—Charles Landhon, an electrician employed in the store of Schlesinger & Mayer, State and Madison streets, was instantly killed at 6:30 o'clock last evening by an electric shock.

Just before closing time a break in the current put out a number of the electric lights in the building, and Landhon went to the basement to locate and repair the trouble. He finally located the break in a network of wires nearly in the center of the basement ceiling, and, tools in hand, climbed up to repair it.

The cloak rooms in the basement were crowded with men and women clerks, while scores of others were in the main basement waiting their turn to dress. Fully 100 employes watched Landhon as he climbed up a step ladder Having reached the top he stretched out his hand and took hold of one of the wires.

As his hand touched the wire he uttered a cry of pain and fell from the ladder to the floor. Women screamed and ran from the room with their hands over their face. Engineer Anderson ran to the side of Landhon and attempted to assist him. He raised the body in his arms, but a hasty examination convinced him that life was extinct.

Policeman Quinlan and McCormick were called in, and a physician was sent for, but the services of the medical man were of no avail, and a patrol wagon was called to remove Landhon's body to Rolston's undertaking rooms, No. 11 Adams street.

HEIR TO A FORTUNE

Arthur Quinn, Inmate of the Poor House, Inherits $20,000.

Bloomington Pantagraph: A dispatch from Springfield, Ill., last night said:

"Arthur Quinn, of this city, who is at present an inmate of the poor farm at Bloomington is heir to a fortune of $20,000 by the death of his brother, Frank Quinn, of Philadelphia, five years ago, and the latter's wife, who died recently in Pennsylvania."

Inquiry of Mr. Karr, at the poor farm, developed the fact that Arthur Quinn is there, and that has been his home for the last three years. He formerly lived near the McLean county coal shaft, and came to want through strong drink. He has always said that he had a fortune coming to him from the estate of a brother in Pennsylvania, but little attention was paid to his claims. He is about 67 years old and mentally sound A stranger was at the poor farm yesterday, and wanted to take Quinn away, but Mr. Karr objected, fearing that if a fortune had been left the old man there might be some scheme on foot to deprive him of it and throw him back on the county again Steps will be taken to protect the old gentleman's interests, so that he will be able to enjoy his inheritance.

ALTGELD'S BUSINESS METHODS

The Globe Savings Bank a Rat Hole for the States Money—Arrests

Chicago, April 9.—Churchill, the cashier of the suspended Globe savings bank for whom a warrant charging embezzlement was issued yesterday, surrendered himself today and gave bonds. President C. W. Spalding and Vice President A. D. Averill, for whom warrants are out have not yet put in an appearance. The developments today show a far greater amount of University of Illinois funds involved in the suspension than at first supposed. Two years ago the state legislature appropriated $499,000 to meet the University expenses. Spalding drew the entire sum from the treasury. As admitted by members of the university board there is now only $400,000 worth of school bonds missing but $423,000 of cash is tied up.

To add to the complication it is said that should President Spalding be unable to account for the funds his bondsmen will refuse to be held responsible the defense being a private deal between the University board, the state treasury officials and Treasurer Spalding which they regard as sufficient cause to release them from their obligations. Spalding was allowed to draw all the money at once instead of merely enough from month to month to meet the University obligations as anticipated by the legislature, because he agreed to pay 2½ per cent interest. The university officials are charged with gross carelessness. It is said Spalding's accounts have not been audited for over two years.

HAWAII WANTS ANNEXATION.

Commissioner Sails for the United States to Urge the Matter on.

San Francisco, April 9.—The steamship Monowai arrived last evening from Australia via Apia and Honolulu with the following advices:

Honolulu, April 1.—President Dole gave out the information today that William A. Kinney, a local lawyer, had been selected to go to Washington as an annexation commissioner. He is to leave here on the 7th inst. The mail on the 30th ult. brought this government some inside information on the annexation question, and it is expected that important matter will be brought before the present session of congress. At present Attorney General Smith and A. S Hartwell are in Washington in the interests of closer political union. What they have accomplished this government only knows, and its officials decline to give out anything.

The steamship Gaelic, which is to arrive on the 3d, will have on board the new Chinese embassy on their way to Washington. The party is a large one, and the Gaelic is specially chartered by the Chinese government to carry them, so there will be no accommodations for other passengers.

CUBA'S ARMY WELL ORGANIZED

Maj. Funston Writes that the Insurgents are Fighting Battles and Gaining Ground.

Lawrence, Kan., April 9.—A letter was received in Lawrence yesterday from Fred Funston, the Kansas boy who is now fighting with the insurgents in Cuba, and has reached the rank of major in the Cuban army. The letter is dated Jan. 22 and was written from the field in the department of the Oriente, near Holguin, Cuba. Major Funston says:

"The Cuban revolutionists are a pretty fine lot of people, much better than I expected to find them, and are putting up a mighty fine fight for their independence. The prevalent idea at home that they are a lot of bushwhackers, attacking only isolated bodies of troops, is a very erroneous one. There is a permanent organization of artillery, infantry, and cavalry, divided into companies, battalions, regiments and brigades, with the usual number of officers. There is the strictest discipline, but very little drill, only enough to enable the troops to go into position without confusion.

"Whenever a Spanish column ventures out from the fortification the Cubans go at it in great style and often thrash it. I have been in two seiges, eight battles, and several smaller fights; have had two horses shot under me, and had the sole of my left shoe split off by a bullet.

"We occasionally hear rumors that Uncle Sam is on the point of recognizing our independence and sincerely hope that it is true, so that the business will be wound up."

ANOTHER "JACK, THE RIPPER."

Trial of Fred Hartman at Paxton, Ill.—Three Atrocious Murders.

Paxton, Ill., April 9.—The trial of Fred Hartman for the murder of Mrs. Weibke Geddes opened in Ford county circuit court here yesterday and four jurors had been obtained when court adjourned last night. The case excites the greatest interest. Hartman is regarded as a veritable "Jack the Ripper" in this section of the state. His supposed victims were all married women and number three, although it is suspected that time will reveal others who have met the same horrible fate as did these three. The simplicity of the circumstances attending all of the murders, each victim having been strangled to death and suspended from a door knob, is considered strong evidence of Hartman's guilt, together with other evidence of a cumulative character.

Hartman's arrest was precipitated by the Geddes murder on December 2 last, on a farm twenty miles from Paxton. The lifeless body of Mrs. Geddes was found at daybreak by her little 6-year-old daughter hanging from a door knob, suspended by a piece of rope tied about her neck. The little girl told a thrilling story of the killing, accusing her father of the crime. The latter was working in a field when confronted with the charge by infuriated neighbors and protested his innocence. It was soon evident that the little girl was mistaken, and Geddes was exonerated.

Hartman had been working near Melvin when Mrs. William Sifkins was slain last August in a manner similar to the killing of Mrs. Geddes. Mrs. Carrie Lentz had been found dead a few months before near Danforth, her body being suspended from a door, as was that of Mrs. Geddes. A gold watch had been taken from Mrs. Lentz's room, and it was known that Hartman had a gold watch in his possession, which he made away with about the time of the Geddes killing. Shortly after the Geddes tragedy, Hartman appeared at the house of a neighbor of the Geddes family, and asked for work, but as his face was bloody he was refused employment It is said that two weeks before Mrs. Geddes met death Hartman called at her house, and after he left Mrs. Geddes informed her husband that Hartman had made an improper proposal to her.

In view of all these circumstances, Hartman was placed in custody and narrowly escaped lynching. Learning of the determination of a mob to have Hartman's life, the prisoner was removed from the jail at Paxton to Danville, and every precaution was taken to guard against lynching. When the grand jury of Ford county met, Hartman was indicted and his trial set for yesterday at Paxton.

Mr. Frank W. Chamberlain, one of the managers of the Peoria Grand opera house, is to wed Miss Willie Mallory of Memphis, Tenn., on the 1st.

D. W. VOORHEES DIES

The "Tall Sycamore of the Wabash" Expired Suddenly at 5 O'Clock This Morning,

AT HIS WASHINGTON HOME.

His Death Not Unexpected—Succeeded Oliver P. Morton in the Senate—His Last Term Expired March 3, 1897.

Washington, April 10.—Daniel W. Voorhees, ex-United States senator from Indiana, died at 5 o'clock this morning at his home in this city.

Senator Voorhees has been in poor health several years suffering with rheumatism of the heart. His friends, therefore, expected to hear of his death suddenly, but at last reports, however, he was showing signs of improvement. His death therefore while entirely unexpected at this time came with a shock. Voorhees was 76 years old. Prior to his retirement from public life, March 4 last, for many years he was one of the most picturesque figures in the senate. He was born in Ohio and was taken by his parents in infancy to a pioneer home in the Wabash valley, Indiana, with which, under the sobriquet of the "Tall Sycamore of the Wabash," his name has since been associated throughout his long political career.

He entered congress in 1861, serving five terms as a representative. He succeeded to the vacancy caused in the senate by the death of Oliver P. Morton, taking his seat November 19, 1877. He was elected senator in 1879 and was re-elected in 1885 and again in 1891. His term of service expired March 3, 1897.

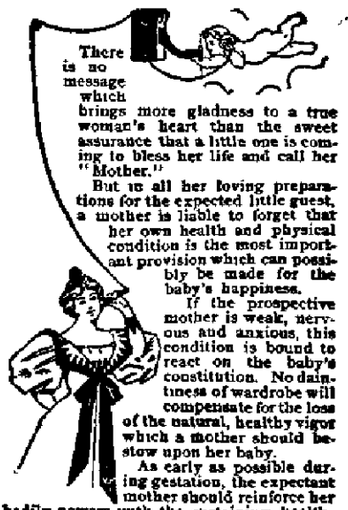
The immediate cause of death was an attack of angina pectoris. Two weeks ago his old rheumatic trouble became aggravated, and three days ago became alarming, but not until half an hour before the final summons did any one realize that his death was near. His son, Reese, who remained in the room with his father, was awakened at 4 o'clock this morning by his father who was suffering great pain in the region of the heart. Half an hour later he appeared much better and arose and walked to the bath room. As he entered the hallway the senator was attacked by a severe spasm and fell semi conscious into his son's arms. The son carried him back to bed and summoned a physician, but it was too late as the ex-senator soon passed away, without gaining full consciousness. The remains will be taken to Terre Haute, Ind., for interment.

Thirty years is a long time to fight so painful a trouble as piles, but Jacob Mitchell, of Unionville, Pa., struggled that long before he tried DeWit's Witch Hazel Salve, which quickly and permanently cured him. It is equally effective in eczema and all skin affections. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

John Warmer of Varna, had fifteen sheep killed by dogs. He received $70 for his logs

William Scully, who owns thousands of acres of farm land in Logan county, is at Lincoln from his home in Washington, D C., to look after his interests.

The Kankakee bicycle factory is now working about 80 men and also have a night force at work. They turn out 30 wheels a day. The last order received by the factory was for 1000 wheels.



There is no message which brings more gladness to a true woman's heart than the sweet assurance that a little one is coming to bless her life and call her "Mother."

But in all her loving preparations for the expected little guest, a mother is liable to forget that her own health and physical condition is the most important provision which can possibly be made for the baby's happiness.

If the prospective mother is weak, nervous and anxious, this condition is bound to react on the baby's constitution. No daintiness of wardrobe will compensate for the loss of the natural, healthy vigor which a mother should bestow upon her baby.

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Mrs. Roscoe Vanover, of Robinson Creek, Pike Co., Ky., writes: "I wish to express my thanks to you for the good I have received from your 'Favorite Prescription.' I have used it at different times for the last five years, and always with the most gratifying results. But the greatest good received from the 'Favorite Prescription' was about four months ago when my last baby was born. I was afflicted with 'child-bed fever.' Instead of sending after a doctor I used the 'Prescription' and was cured. A lady friend of mine was similarly afflicted and sent after the doctor and took his remedies *and died*. I am 27 years old, weigh 147 pounds, the mother of five children, and am enjoying the best of health."

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THE TARIFF BILL.

The Factory Hands Have Had Their Way in the Framing of the Bill.

WHY IMPORTERS DON'T LIKE IT.

How the Committee Turned Down Two Great Trusts—The Statement of the Reform Club False.

Washington, April 10—(Special Correspondence.) "The factory hands have had their way," said one of the framers of the tariff bill, talking to your correspondent about that measure today. "People who assume that the working men and women of the United States are not pleased with the Ding bill show that they know very little about what has been happening in this country in the past few weeks and months. No class of citizens was so widely represented and so fully heard by individuals or representatives before the Ways Means Committee as the workingmen, unless perhaps it may be the farmers. Those two classes of the community not only had their say, but had their way, and the free traders who are throwing stones at the bill now, in the attempt to create dissatisfaction with it among the voters of the country, show very poor judgment, and are paying anything but a compliment to the intelligence of that class of citizens "

"Do you find any opposition or protests against the bill, now that it has been thoroughly digested by the public?"

"Yes. Solemn protests are being filed with both committees by the importer and such people as the importers can influence. And that is all. The importers, of course are against the bill for it will cut down their business and start the factories of this country at work. As a result they are fighting it by every process. Each separate interest is working its separate class of citizens. The tobacco importers, for instance, have sent out ready-made protests to the manufacturers of the country and in this way are getting certain workingmen who have not had an opportunity to personally examine the situation to sign these formal protests. It is so apparent, however, that those people are being 'worked' for the benefit of the importers that the effect is not appreciable and there is little prospect that the bill is going to be materially changed. Of course, there will be minor changes, but the thoroughly protective features of the bill for which the workingmen in the manufactories and fields have asked are going to be retained and even strengthened."

How the Importers Are Working It.

The statement of the gentleman above quoted indicated that the importers are the chief antagonists of the Dingley bill, and are opposing it for selfish and personal reasons, is sustained by some facts which have come to the attention of members of congress within the past few days. They have been receiving from Republican newspapers throughout the country copies of a letter sent out by the reform club of New York, proposing to furnish them free of cost plate matter prepared for the purpose of attacking the Dingley bill and creating public sentiment against it Commenting upon this letter, General Grosvenor, of Ohio, a member of the ways and means committee, said:

'The committee on tariff reform is made up largely of gentlemen who import goods into this country, and they, of course, are exceedingly grieved over specific duties, and, were I that sort of importer, I would have as much grief as they have. But now the fact is, and the public may as well understand it, the statement is without foundation in fact, and only a very few simple statements will brand the whole document as absolutely false and misleading The greatest trusts in this country today, as the popular understanding is, and as I think correct, are the sugar trust and the standard oil trust. Will those gentlemen please answer this question If the ways and means committee has made a bill and introduced it and secured its passage, 'specially designed to aid trusts and monopolies,' why did it not conform to the suggestions of these two greatest of all the great trusts? And yet the fact is that the two hardest blows struck in this bill, while not aimed at any particular interest, fall heaviest upon the sugar trust and the standard oil trust. Now what have we done with this bill? We have refused to levy duties on sugar upon the principle insisted upon by the sugar trust. They, as is well known and widely published, favor an ad valorem tariff on sugar doubtless as they have a right to do, though understanding persons know that masked under a ad valorem duty is a concealed differential, and Mr. Dingley gives it as his opinion that if there is superadded one-eighth of a cent direct discrimination or differential, the there is at least a full quarter of a cent included in that sort of a tariff. The reform club of New York favors ad valorem duties. In this regard they are behind all the intelligent people of the world. There is not now a tariff in Europe that does not resort to specific duties in all possible cases, and wherever a specific duty is levied, a certain class of importers always cry out against it. It is perfectly well known that the sugar trust, or American sugar refining company, a great organization, of honorable men so far as I know, asked for a differential of a fourth of a cent. This bill gives them but an eighth, so I am correct in saying that no one of the demands of the sugar trust was complied with and the precise reverse of everything they asked was given. This is the same body of men who, through the Wilson law, seized upon the immunities and benefits which have made them enormously rich. Now come to the monopoly of the standard oil. The first time in the history of the legislation of this country for many years, we have repealed, so far as the action of the house of representatives is concerned, the drawback upon tin exported with American products, and this has been done against the protest of every representative of the standard oil company. It has not been done in any spirit of opposition or hostility to that great and successful organization, but, as a matter of principle, believing that now we are producing such vast quantities of tin in the United States, with a prospect of greatly increased product, it will be perfectly fair to get rid, step by step, of these drawbacks. There are, perhaps, twenty-five or thirty products of American industry said to be under the dominion of trusts and combinations whose requests to the committee were utterly ignored and refused. So, then, the statement of the circular is utterly false and without foundation in fact."

BEATEN TO DEATH WITH CLUBS.

Brutal Murder of a Young Girl at Bangkok, Siam.

Vancouver, B. C, April 10.—Advices from Bangkok, Siam, by steamer Empress of Japan, report the horrible murder of a young girl, caught eloping with her lover. She was torn away from the arms of the Oriental Don Juan and confined in a house of relatives, who proceeded to break every bone in her body as a punishment for introducing Occidental methods into the far east. The girl was beaten into a mass of jelly, and lingered in this condition, in fearful agony, for fourteen days, ere death came to her release.

Two men and a woman were sentenced to death for the murder and beheaded The execution was a barbarous affair, the headsman being drunk, the convicted wretches were slashed in the most fearful manner, their deaths being little less painful than that of their victim, the girl whose sin was that she loved. The woman's head was not severed from the trunk, and the terror shown in her eyes was so horrible as to affright even the drunken headsman though he had participated in an official capacity at many executions.

Battle-Ship Iowa's Speed.

Washington, April 10 —There is but one other battle ship in the world fleeter than the Iowa, and none, the navy records show, of her displacement that is an equal. Three months ago the British first class battleship Renown made the remarkable time for a vessel of her heavy armament and armor of 17 9 knots for eight hours, and this rate was at the time stated by foreign experts to be the highest power it would be possible to obtain in vessels of that type and class.

The Renown is of 12,410 tons displacement and is driven by 13,000 horse power, while the Iowa is but 11,350 tons and has 11,000 horse power. She has, therefore, per ton about the same horse power as the Renown It is not surprising, therefore, the experts say, yesterday, that the British vessel should have secured greater speed, as her size enabled not only more powerful machinery, but better arrangement of it. The Iowa, by her performance yesterday, the officials say, proves herself to be the fastest war vessel of her type afloat, and, had the recommendations of Engineer-in-Chief Melville been carried out, they claim, she would have had 1000 additional power, and would have attained 18-knot speed

DRAPER'S STORY DISCREDITED

Slayer of Hastings Well Guarded to Avoid a Possible Lynching.

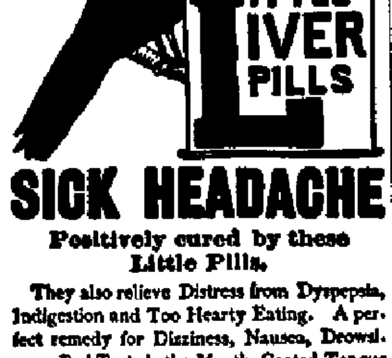
Jacksonville, Ill, April 9 —The most talked of man in the city is Charles L. Draper, now in jail for murdering Charles L Hastings In some quarters there is considerable talk of lynch law, but wise counsel will prevail and meantime the prisoner is being guarded so as to prevent any such catastrophe Draper is in better spirits since his confession. Not very much stock is taken in it, as it is regarded as the work of his lawyers, who took that means to make a case as good as possible for their client. No one believes that a man being held down could cut his assailant 183 times and not get hurt himself. Had he wanted to get out he had a dozen chances before Hastings could have gotten upstairs, as he says he heard the street door open when Hastings came into the building.

Bad for the Farmer.

The continued wet weather at this time of year is bad for the farmers. The rain had made the ground very soft and the season will consequently be late. The oat crop will particularly suffer as the planting of that crop will be detained on account of the wet condition of the ground.

Miss Gertrude Crang has been the cashier of Swigart & Son's bank at Weldon for two years. She has been with this firm for five years.

The Republicans of Kankakee nominated Wm. Krueger for mayor.



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THE BATTLE OPENS.

Thirty Thousand Greek Irregulars Invade Turkish Territory and a Battle Follows.

GREECE CLAIMS INNOCENCE.

The Invaders Said to be in a Perilous Position—Turkey May Find an Excuse for Invading Greece.

Athens, April 10.—Dispatches from Larissa give the details of an invasion into Macedonia by a force of irregular Greek troops. Thirty thousand men it is announced crossed the frontier Wednesday. The force is commanded by ex-officers of the regular army of Greece and includes a band of Italian volunteers commanded by Colonel Cipriani. All are well armed and equipped at the expense of the Ethnike Hetaeria, the famous and powerful Greek secret society which has been practically controlling the country in the present crisis. The members of the expedition were given an enthusiastic send off by the Thessalanians and the Greek troops. The latter made no attempt to prevent the departure of the expedition, and therefore it cannot be claimed the movement was unknown to the Greek authorities Two Greek flags were solemnly entrusted to their charge and good arrangements have been made for forwarding food and other supplies to them. The news of the invasion has caused the most intense excitement here.

Sofia, April 10 —The Bulgarian and Roumanian troops are being massed on the frontier. There are strained relations between these countries and the Bulgarians talk of retaking Dobruddja.

Preparing to Go to the Front.

Athens, Aprill 10 —Six to eight thousand volunteers are preparing to start for the frontier immediately after war is declared.

Result of the Invasion.

Blassonada, April 10 —The Greek irregulars who crossed the frontier in the night, surprised and burned four Turkish outpost stations. The Turkish troops are now advancing toward the point of attack from Diskata and Tsiplio. Villagers in Isiplio say they heard the firing of big guns and suppose the Turks are engaged with the Greeks.

Edham Pasha has wired Constantinople for instructions. Greece but a few days ago warned Turkey that insurgents would probably try to cross the frontier, but said it would try to stop them. It is believed, however, that so large a body could not have crossed without knowledge of the Greek government.

Turks May Invade Greece.

Blassonada, April 10 —Edhem Pasha, commander-in-chief of the Turkish army has received orders from Constantinople to cross the Greek frontier with his forces if it is shown that the Greek regulars are among the invaders. The Turkish troops continue to advance on the invaders, who will soon find themselves between three fires.

Ex-Soldiers Given the Preference.

Washington, April 10 —The policy of giving ex union soldiers preference in appointments and promotions in the government departments, and in their reinstatement whenever it can be shown that their dismissal was not for cause other than political, is being pursued by all the heads of departments. John E Wright, chief of the mineral division in the general land office, has been removed, and Captain Henry G. Potter of Ohio, reinstated in his place. Captain Potter was a union soldier, and was removed during the last administration. Mr. Wright was a Wisconsin man a warm personal frien of ex Commissioner Lamoreaux, who appointed him in 1893

William C Braley, chief of the accounts division, was reduced to the $1000 grade, and Captain George Redway of California, also like Captain Potter an old soldier, was appointed to succeed him Paul S. Black of Georgia, who held the $1600 position, was dismissed. He was a protege of Secretary Hoke Smith, who brought him into the department.

Assignee Jack's Report.

S S Jack made a report to the county court Friday of the receipts and expenditures of the Eichinger assignment It showed that he has received $2947.01 and paid out $2555 92. He says:

"The property obtained from F. P Roddy is largely in the hands of receivers, thus reducing the income from rents and the equities are of merely nominal value The notes of F. P and Thomas Roddy filed at this time as assets of the estate are of no value, the makers being insolvent. The assignee has advertised land belonging to the estate, but has not received satisfactory offers for any part of it."

When a cold is contracted, cure it at once One Minute Cough Cure will set you on the road to recovery in a minute. It will cure pneumonia, bronchitis, croup and all forms of lung and throat troubles A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Leander King, county surveyor of Peoria county, is lying at his home very ill. His friends think the end is not far off.

KIDNEY DISEASES are the most fatal of all diseases. Foley's Kidney Cure a guaranteed remedy or money refunded. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

CLAIMS FITZ WAS GALVANIZED.

Startling Proposition Advanced by a Kansas City Professor.

Kansas City, Mo., April 10.—"Was Bob Fitzsimmons galvanized when he met Corbett?"

This question, suddenly brought to light in Kansas City yesterday, will astonish and agitate the sporting world. Prof. Lucien I. Blake of the Kansas State University, yesterday morning admitted that the galvanizing of an athlete was not only possible, but had been accomplished. Everybody knows the wonderment of the spectators at the great fight over the "recuperative powers" of Fitzsimmons, who sustained seemingly annihilating punishment and remained strong enough, after thirteen rounds, to fell Corbett with a body blow. Corbett himself does not suspect what may be the truth, and still wonders how he was whipped.

"I felt a queer stinging sensation when Fitz and I clinched," said Corbett when asked about the fight the other day, and Prof Blake thinks that this admission of Corbett's substantiates, in a measure, his theory that Fitz had been scientifically galvanized.

Prof. Blake has the chair of electro-chemistry at the Kansas State University, and already he has a reputation national in its scope. His fame as the savant who would turn negroes white by the application of an electrical current is already belting the globe. In discussing yesterday telepathy or transmission of thought by electrical apparatus along the line of the X-ray discovery, Prof Blake branched to the other possible uses of electricity and advanced the startling proposition that Fitz has been galvanized as a possible explanation of his unexpected victory.

Prof. Blake said there was no doubt that electricity in the human body formed the most powerful stimulant. It would multiply the muscular power and endurance for the time being and increase the courage to a point of invincibility.

"It should be done," said Prof. Blake, "by immersing the subject in water and sending a galvanic current through him. He would not feel it, but would arise filled with invincible power and courage"

"Have you tried it?"

Prof. Blake smiled. "There is no question about this fact, it has been demonstrated," he replied

Prof. Blake would not tell where or on whom it was tried, but asserted again that a wrestler, foot ball player or pugilist loaded up with electricity would be invincible against an opponent not so supercharged and stimulated Furthermore, it could be done without inconvenience or detection, and would only be known by an incredible power to sustain punishment and physical strain.

While Prof Blake will not admit it it is known that he proposes soon to give a convincing demonstration of tthe truth of his theory

TIE ELECTION CONTEST SETTLED

A Democrat Won in Mt. Zion—A Republican at Harristown

From the Daily of Saturday.

The tie between A F McDonald, Republican, and W L Riber, Democrat, for supervisor, in Mt Zion township, was decided today at 10 a m, at the town clerk's office by the candidates drawing lots. W. L Riber drew the winning ballot and will be supervisor

At the election on Tuesday Mr McDonald received 151 votes, Mr. Riber, 151

There was a tie vote in Harristown township for the office of assessor J. P Holmes, Republican, received 87 votes, and John E Hartwig, Democrat, 87 They settled the tie by drawing straws Mr. Holmes was the lucky man, and he will be busy in May making the assessment for the taxpayers

Suit for a Receiver.

Belleville, Ill, April 10 —A suit was begun today by C B. Carrell and John Ellspirmann, jr., for a receiver for the Lansburg Brake Co The company has a capital stock of $2,000,000. The plaintiffs are stockholders and claim that Frank Lansburg and other stockholders have conspired to sell the property of the company valued at $300,000 to the Westinghouse air brake company for $455,000.

Threw Her Children Into the River.

St. Louis, April 10 —An unknown woman threw her boy, aged 3, and a girl, aged 5, into the river from the ferry boat today, then plunged after them. The children were rescued but the woman was drowned She evidently was crazy

It has been learned the woman's name is Mrs. Sophia Vogel

Receiver for the Brown Wagon Co.

Dayton, Ohio, April 10 —A receiver was appointed today for S N Brown & Co, proprietors of one of the largest wagon and carriage wheel works in the country

Theodore Durant to Hang June 11

San Francisco, April 10 —Theodore Durrant was this morning, for a second time, sentenced to be hanged for the murder of Blanche Lamont. The execution was fixed for June 11

Two More Americans Released.

Washington, April 10 —Information was received at the state department today that two American citizens, Jose D'Amiva and Jose Gonzales under arrest in Cuba have been released.

A Life for 50c.

Many people have been cured of Kidney diseases by taking a 50c bottle of Foley's Kidney Cure. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Mrs. Sarah Pratt, for many years a resident of Moweaqua, died suddenly Tuesday of heart disease.

Have You Had the Grip?

If you have, you probably need a reliable medicine like Foley's Honey and Tar to heal your lungs and stop the racking cough incidental to this disease. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

German silver is composed of zinc, nickel, copper and a small portion of iron.

It should be made a matter of public knowledge that DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve will speedily cure piles of the longest standing. It is the household favorite for burns, scalds, cuts, bruises and sores of all kinds. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

LAW AS TO JURYMEN.

A Pointed Notice Posted in the Court House Corridors.

Some days ago there was a scene in the county court when in the presence of Sheriff Nicholson and Assistant State's Attorney A. H. Mills, Judge Hammer stated with some emphasis that he was tired of seeing about the same men brought into court to serve on juries before him. He was weary of the old timers and he wanted a change. He thought the jurymen should be drawn out of a box, as is the rule in the circuit court. The judge had issued a venire for a new jury, and he asked the sheriff to go outside the business streets and pick up a jury of new men and the sheriff stood ready to promptly obey the request. There were no names mentioned in the conversation and there were no reflections cast upon anybody. The sheriff announced that he would have posted the law in reference to parties seeking to serve on juries, and below is a copy of the notice as it appears on white cards posted in the court house corridors

Chapter 78, Sec. 15. Any person who shall seek the position of a juror, or who shall ask any attorney or other officer of the court or other person to secure his selection as a juryman, shall be deemed guilty of a contempt of court, and be fined not exceeding $20, and shall hereby be disqualified from serving as a juror for that term, and such fact shall be sufficient ground for challenge Any attorney or party to a suit pending for trial at that term, who shall request or solicit the placing of any person upon a jury, shall be deemed guilty of a contempt of the court and be fined not exceeding $100, and the person so sought to be put upon the jury shall be disqualified to serve as a juror at that term of court.

The notice will aid materially in clearing the corridors of those who for years have hung around so as to be close at hand in case a jury is wanted in the county court.

ONLY $350 FOR $1100.

Experience of One Decatur Family with Two Assessment Companies.

A very unsatisfactory "settlement" of a life insurance claim with an assessment company is about to be made, and it is made because there seems to be no other way out of the mix. A Decatur citizen took out a policy for $6000 in the old Bloomington Mutual Life company, which association quit business some years ago after several hundred thousand dollars had been squeezed out of confiding people. The assessments were small at first, but bad risks were written, deaths came thick and fast and assessments went up. Finally the company went out of business, and many of the risks were taken by an assessment company doing business at Indianapolis. The Decatur party kept on paying until he died, and since the death the widow has been trying to get the face of the policy, $6000. There had been paid into the coffers of the Bloomington and Indianapolis company on assessments about $1100 And now the Indianapolis company submits a final statement to the widow showing that all that can be raised to pay the claim is about $350. The disappointment of the widow cannot be expressed. Language fails to do the subject justice. There is nothing left for her to do but receipt for the $350, and be thankful the sum is no less.

THE CIRCUIT COURT

Entries on the Common Law and Chancery Dockets

From the Daily of Saturday.

This is the sixty-ninth day of the January term of the Macon county circuit court Entries on the dockets appear as follows.

Common Law Docket.

William W. Conard for use of, etc, vs Jacob Ast et al, debt, motion for a new trial by defendant overruled, appeal prayed and allowed.

Joseph McMahon et al vs Sexton E Smith et al, appellants, appeal, motion by defendant for a new trial overruled, appeal taken.

Samson Garrett vs Charles E Akers, assumpsit, suit dismissed as per stipulation on file.

E. L Pegram vs J. L Drake et al, assumpsit, motion by defendants for a new trial overruled, appeal taken

J. C. Hostetler vs Thomas P. Roddy et al, assumpsit, motion by defendants for a new trial overruled, appeal taken.

Chancery Docket.

Rufus M. Elliott vs E. L. Martin, chancery; report of master submitted.

Isaac V. Goltra vs Mary Schwab et al, foreclosure, suit dismissed.

George S. Lyons et al vs Frank P. Roddy et al, bill to enforce lien, master's report approved.

Phillip H. Decker vs Thomas A Dungan et al, petition for mechanics' lien, suit dismissed at cost of complainant.

Phillip H Decker vs Thomas A Dungan et al; petition for mechanics' lien.

Edward J Rivard vs Audley D Risley et al, foreclosure, demur to amended bill demur overruled and rule on defendant to answer by next Saturday morn'ng

John B Maus vs James A. Patterson et al chancery, referred to master for proof, etc

Married.

At his office by Judge Hammer April 7, W A Shultz of Argenta, and Miss Mollie Trummell of Williamsburg

At his office by Judge Hammer, April 7, Frank Wooters and Miss Anike Wempen, both of Moweaqua

At the First M E church parsonage, by Rev D F Howe, April 7, Daniel McCullom and Miss Isabell Bartlett, both of Decatur

At noon today Charles Kyle of Argenta and Miss Luella Wilkinson were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents at Bethany.

Sales of Real Estate.

Samuel Heckman et al to David Heckman, quit claim deed to a track of land in 299, 17, 4 east, $1.

R. J. Simpson to Hurvey S Clark, lot 13 in block 2 of Chambers, Bering & Quinlan's addition to Decatur, also lot 6 in block 5 of Powers First addition to Decatur, $1.

Glad Tidings to Asthma Sufferers.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 1897.

The United States navy is being built up rapidly and judiciously and the more of it we have the less number of questions will arise for arbitration.

The Republican who makes up his mind that the election is all right anyhow and fails to vote is the fellow who defeats his own party oftener than the opposition beats it

McKinley does not seem to be having the trouble Cleveland had explaining what was the matter with the gold reserve The reason is that since McKinley came into power there has been no trouble with the gold reserve.

The Greeks who invaded Turkey are said to belong to a secret Greek society that is practically controlling Greek sentiment in the present crisis It is very clear that a man who is willing to go to war on the ritual of his lodge cannot be counted as more pecuniary beneficiary.

In 1891 millions of workingmen protested by petition to congress against the passage of the Wilson tariff bill. It is a noteworthy fact that nobody but importers and free traders are protesting against the passage of the Dingley protective tariff bill

The free trader assumes that business cannot revive until the farmers get better prices for their produce when the facts are that as soon as the manufacturers start up farm produce will bring better prices because the employment of men in factories makes business for other labor and all again become able to consume farm products.

The eastern situation is indeed exceedingly complex but the most perplexing thing yet developed is how 3,000 armed irregular Greek soldiers fully officered with banners and all the necessaries for prosecution a war could get out of Greece without anybody with authority knowing it, until they were in the enemies country and ready to fight a battle

Peru has suspended the coinage of silver at the government mint because it was not a paying business trying to make 50 cents worth of silver go for more than its value as a commodity. With Japan having adopted the gold standard the only organization left in favor of the free coinage of silver at more than its market value is the Populistic organization of the United States

Even those who are opposed to Ben Taylor's election as mayor admit that he is capable of making the kind of mayor the people want While on this point it should be remembered that one of the best mayors Decatur had, was opposed when first nominated because he was thought to be too liberal but those who raised that objection found out they were mistaken in their estimate of the man

What right has any Republican to assume the election is all right and his vote is not needed Does he expect other people to perform his political duties for him. If every citizen were to do this there would be no elections and the government would fall to pieces Remember this is a government by free consent and the citizen who refuses to vote does not consent that the government shall be continued

The thing Republicans should do from this until next Tuesday coming is to see that the full vote is polled In the recent township election only 66 per cent of the Republican vote was polled The ticket however was elected because the Democrats only polled 51 per cent of their vote But it should be borne in mind that only 66 per cent of the Republican vote is polled a still hunt by the Democrats would beat every man on the ticket The only safe thing is to get out the vote.

From the best information obtainable by those who are devoted to gathering statistics it is thought at least 200,000 idle men have been put to work since the election in November as the result of the assurance that the country's currency will not be debased and that a tariff bill framed along the line of protection will become a law. This means that work has been found to sustain 1,000,000 people on American soil in American homes If the tariff bill becomes a law inside of six months a million men will find employment which will mean the sustenance of five million of people in American homes and inside of a year a million more will find steady employment This means everything to a depressed and languishing home market It means purchasers for our farm products customers for our merchants professional men and the trades and means prosperity again for all our people

Tuesday when the Lindin bill to repeal the libel law was up in the senate for consideration a senator who evidently meant to be funny proposed to amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting words and substituting therefor a provision making it a punishable offense for any newspaper to mislead the public as to the real character of an individual by eulogizing him or her in a newspaper above what they deserved, or their real character or reputation warranted As before stated this was intended as a burlesque but just the same it would be a happy law for the newspapers as it would relieve them from many repulsive things they have to do now to keep any sort of peace in the family. Eulogies that are demanded now would scarcely be hinted at under the enforcement of such a law. For example newspapers are required to speak well of candidates for office no matter how objectionable they may be Under such a law none but men of unblemished character would present themselves for office as bad men would know before hand that the newspapers would not take the chances of making themselves liable by speaking well of them No newspaper would take the chances of being fined for eulogizing a candidate of shady character. Even the independent newspaper that talks the way the money comes would not dare do it. The result would be that every ticket would be made up of saints. Under such a law the doctor whom somebody thought could not diagnose one case in ten, or who could not distinguish between a case of chicken pox and smallpox, could not succeed in being written up in the newspaper as "one of the leading physicians in town has gone to Lickskillet on professional bussiness" or as "one of the leading physicians in the city," because the person who might disagree with the newspaper eulogy would bring suit against the paper. Again, under such a law no paper would have the temerity to speak of a dealer as having on hand a nice clean new stock of groceries unless it was assured that the statement was correct for if any part of the goods such as mackerel and canned goods were stale the newspaper would get into trouble as soon as the groceryman attempted to enforce the collection of a bill against some delinquent customer Under such a law no newspaper could take the risk of speaking of junior liquor as being eight, ten or twenty years old when it was just from the still or perhaps the laboratory, nor would a paper longer dare take the risk of speaking of a visitor to the city as one of the leading society ladies of her home. There might be some mistake about it and the newspaper that took such risk might find itself in the courts making an effort to prove that the party was really a leading society belle in order to justify itself The law would be a good thing because to protect themselves the newspapers would be forced to refrain from eulogizing anybody, even the editor.

Dissatisfied Populists.

The Democrats in the house of representatives in congress are becoming restive under the policy of the majority not to transact any business pending the action of the senate on the tariff bill The leaders in the opposition to this policy seem to be the Populists as Bailey the Democratic leader in the house has all along been satisfied with the policy adopted by the Republicans and was content to let them have their own way in the matter. Jerry Simpson, however, has become incorrigible and insists upon the speaker appointing his committees and proceeding to general business. The influence of these Populists has been sufficient to force the Democrats into a caucus to settle the matter The object is not apparent but it is fair to presume that the Populists want to inject free silver into the special session together with some of their other facts The motives for such a procedure cannot be honest and patriotic. The house is overwhelmingly against all their Populist notions and cannot be forced into accepting any one of them Therefore all they could accomplish would be agitation for which they seem well fitted

But the conditions at the present time are not of the kind which invites honest men into agitation The Populist combined with the free silver Democrats and a few free silver Republicans have just emerged from a defeat in an appeal to the people and if honest with the people and themselves would accept the situation The vote of the country by the greatest majority ever cast has decided to return to protection for relief and the present extraordinary session of congress is due to that fact and was called for no other purpose than to enact such legislation It is well known the senate is slow in perfecting and passing bills because it is not subject to the stringent rules which prevail in the house for the dispatch of business and it has been thought that the tariff bill could be hurried through the senate to some extent if no other legislation is attempted in the house The Populist knows this as well as anybody and his effort to upset this policy puts him in the position of objecting to the legislation the people at the polls declared they want

He knows that if the house undertakes general legislation that the chances are that legislation will become complicated and means of delay for the legislation the people want will be discovered

During the campaign the Populist insisted that the way to restore prosperity was to make cheap money The people decided the Populist was wrong and that the better way to restore business was to create a demand for labor and give the people a chance once again to earn money The people having so decided are entitled to the result of their judgment If the Populist was right, then the people were wrong. If cheap money is our only remedy then a protective tariff will not set our wheels revolving again and in that case the Populist will be all right for the next campaign If the Populist is wrong and protection proves the correct remedy then the Populist if he is a man can afford to admit his mistake and go out of the business of agitation There is no reason why any one should object to the remedy the people want and he who does object is not made of the right kind of material to rise to the plane of a patriot.

Behring Sea Seal Question.

The recent appointment of ex-Secretary Foster and ex-Assistant Secretary Hamlin by the president to assist in the negotiations now in progress with Great Britain respecting the Behring Sea difficulties, is indicative that this long pending diplomatic issue has at last assumed a grave importance, and that an earnest effort is to be made to end the present unsatisfactory state of affairs, or at least to place the subject on such a footing before the beginning of the approaching open season as will prevent it from passing into a more serious phase. The diplomatic correspondence of the past year makes it evident that a severe strain was placed upon the patience of the officials of both the United States and Great Britain and the warning given quietly, yet firmly, by the British premier that further proceedings by the American revenue cutters in the line of last year's program could not be tolerated, and the intimation from Secretary Olney that there would be no change unless additional restrictions were imposed upon the British sealing vessels, hold latent possibilities of a serious entanglement of the two friendly powers unless some arrangement can be made before the end of May. For the reason that ex-Secretary Foster was familiar with the earlier stages of the negotiations leading up to the Paris arbitration, while to ex-Assistant Secretary Hamlin is due, in large measure, the credit for the conduct of the negotiations of the last administration on this subject, they have been chosen to assist now in composing this threatened difficulty.

The trouble appears to have begun principally through the refusal of the British authorities to renew last year the regulations requiring British vessels going into the waters to place their firearms under seal, to give effect to the Paris regulation prohibiting the use of such weapons in killing seal This regulation was laid down on evidence that a large proportion of the seals killed with guns sank and were never recovered, involving wasteful mortality. The British having refused to seal up their arms, the United States government adopted the plan of making a most thorough search of every sealing vessel in Behring sea There was justification for a search in the regulations, but again the British vessels were thereby subjected to unnecessary and most vexatious detention, that their catches were overhauled and thrown into confusion, and that the only result was the discovery of one skin in which the American boarding officer thought he saw a shot wound, and of a log book a few days in arrears in entries. Yet, for this, twenty six out of twenty-nine British vessels in the seal waters were searched eighty-two times, one vessel being boarded six times in twenty four days

Secretary Olney, on the other hand, justified the course of the revenue officers by pointing out that all of the three seized vessels were convicted in British courts. He also gave some startling figures to show the need of the additional restrictive regulations, which he invited the British government to accept. From actual count, he showed that in 1895 no less than 38,000 dead seal pups were found on the seal islands, which had perished from starvation because their mothers had been killed at sea by sealing vessels. Also, it was stated that in the same season the vessels had taken 44,169 skins, as against 31 685 in the previous year, and Secretary Olney asserted that if the killing was to go on at this rate the total destruction of the seal herd would be accomplished in the course of about two more seasons To make the showing worse from our point of view, it was stated that the lawful catch on the seal islands had largely fallen off Efforts were made to devise some way of insuring the seal against the use of firearms by poachers, but they came to nothing, and the upshot was that both sides stood firm, the British warning against further indiscriminate search of British vessels, and Secretary Olney standing on our right to make it Meanwhile an expert commission sent out by both governments made an exhaustive report, tending to sustain Secretary Olney's assertions regarding the probable extermination of the seals under present conditions, and it must be upon this basis that the negotiations will now proceed

Prisoners are Set Free

The Spanish prison doors in Cuba are flying open when Uncle Sam crooks his finger. No American citizen need no longer fear Men who believe in America and American citizens and who will not tolerate an insult or an injustice by any nation to any American citizen be he ever so humble are in control of the administration and Spain understands this Men who have been imprisoned for two years contrary to express terms of the treaty between the United States and Spain are walking out of prison free men. They have committed no crime unless perhaps that of sympathizing with the Cubans, which is no crime as no man can control his emotions in this regard, and yet President Cleveland permitted the Spaniards to hold such American citizens and keep them in filthy prisons without a protest and thus laid himself open to the charge of sympathizing with the Spaniards instead with those who have recorded their allegiance to the United States of America.

Within the next ten days there will be a wholesale discharge of Americans from Cuban jails Not an American citizen will be left in one of them. This is due to the vigorous protests of Secretary Sherman and President McKinley which has caused this revolution in the Spanish policy toward American citizens. The same results could have been achieved by Cleveland but they were not because he has no sympathy for an American citizens or any man who is willing to fight for liberty. He first demonstrated this in his policy toward Hawaiians who overthrew the rotten monarchy. Then in relation to the Chilians who murdered the American marines and lastly the American citizens who went to Cuba to help or sympathize with the Cubans.

The McKinley administration is to be congratulated upon enforcing Spain to recognize the rights of American citizens. It should next turn its attention to forcing Spain to conduct the war in Cuba according to the rules of civilized warfare and follow this up by recognizing the belligerency of the Cubans and thus give these patriots in that unhappy isle who are willing to lay down their lives for liberty a fair show with Spain. This done the Cubans will promptly end the contest and fling another banner to the breeze with liberty inscribed upon it

Protection and Prosperity.

In harmony with the protection sentiment developed in the house from the south is to be found among southern senators to be equally as enthusiastic. Amendments to the tariff bill increasing the rate of duties on southern products are being offered by southern senators and appeals along the same line are coming to the finance committee from the southern producers. This shows there can be no doubt of the growth of the protection sentiment in the south. A trial of four years of a free trade tariff following upon the heels of a quarter of a century of prosperity under protection has served to convince not only those people in the south but others in other parts of the country how hollow are the claims and the clap-trap of free traders. They have come to see that if this country is to prosper we must perform our own labor which enters into the things we consume instead of buying the foreign labor represented in the things we buy and consume when purchased from abroad instead of at home. They see that we cannot prosper by trying to buy things cheap made abroad with cheap labor while our own labor is idle and unable to purchase our farm products and the goods on our merchants' shelves A grand good but mighty expensive lesson has been taught our people and they want protection and lots of it. They realize that our people must be put to work before we can again be prosperous Prosperity and soup houses cannot keep house together in this country and the people propose to drive out the soup house by restoring protection and prosperity

Daniel W Voorhees.

The death of Daniel W Voorhees removes from among us a great character in many respects. Voorhees was naturally a leader among men His individuality was of the strongest sort else he could never have recovered from the complications he became involved in during the war His prejudices during the war were against the government. He put himself in the Valandigham school and opposed every effort the government made to subdue the south. He not only did this but was active in treasonable organizations existing in the north during the war that acted in the interest of and communicated with those in rebellion against the government. He was detected in this and narrowly escaped punishment. After the war, however, he changed his course very materially and no man in the senate was more devoted to legislation in the interest of Union soldiers than he proved to be On the money question he was always an inflationist and in the last campaign was an advocate of the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1 though as chairman of the finance committee in the senate he supported Cleveland's policies in the special session of 1893 when the silver purchase law was repealed He was once regarded as the greatest criminal lawyer in the middle west and many a criminal owed his life to the efforts of Daniel W Voorhees

Though erratic in many ways Voorhees was a great man and will be given a place among the great men of the country.

It is Merely Deception

If we can humbug the people the Democratic party may yet have a future seems to be the conviction of those Populists who are today at the head of the party No public man's utterances and acts are so antagonistic to all that these Populists teach as those of Thomas Jefferson and yet W. J Bryan and the entire outfit of inflationists have made it a point to celebrate the birthday of Thomas Jefferson with greater fervor than ever before There could be but one object in this, namely to mislead the people as to Jefferson's position on the money question

There is no other reason why the silver Democrats should worship with such fervor at Jefferson's shrine. It is impossible to distort what Jefferson said on money to make it seem probable that he would have accepted the Chicago platform on this subject

In 1793 Mr. Jefferson wrote.

"The proportion between the value of gold and silver is a mercantile problem altogether. * * Just principles will lead us to disregard legal proportions altogether, to inquire into the market price of gold in the several countries with which we shall principally be connected in commerce and to take an average from them."

Does this declare that silver at a ratio of 16 to 1 is the "coin of the constitution?" Or that this country should have a financial policy of its own, independent of the monetary systems of the rest of the civilized world?

In a letter to Mr Hamilton in February, 1792, Mr Jefferson expressed his opposition to cheapening the dollar or reducing the monetary unit. He said of the dollar:

"I very much doubt a right now to change the value, and especially too lessen it. It would lead to so easy a mode of paying off their debts. * * * Should it be thought, however, that congress may reduce the value of the dollar, I should be for adopting for our unit, instead of the dollar, either one ounce of pure silver or one ounce of standard silver, so as to keep the unit of money a part of the system of measures, weights and coins."

The original "demonetization of silver" was effected by the following order from Thomas Jefferson:

"Department of State, May 1, 1806 — Sir: In consequence of a representation from the directors of the bank of the United States that considerable purchases have been made of dollars coined at the mint for the purpose of exporting them, and as it is probable further purchases and exportations will be made, the president, Thomas Jefferson, directs that all silver to be coined at the mint shall be of small denominations, so that the value of the largest piece shall not exceed half a dollar. James Madison.

"Robert Patterson, Esq, Director of the mint"

Except 1009 pieces, no more silver dollars were coined till after Andrew Jackson retired from the presidency.

Jefferson, like Madison, Jackson and the rest of "the fathers," did not believe in cheap money, or in attempting to change the commercial value of a metal If the silverites can put these quotations and facts in their Jeffersonian pipes and derive any satisfaction from smoking them, they are welcome to their happiness.

Horses Wanted.

Will be at 549 North Church street, Decatur, Ill., on April 17 and 19, 1897. Would like some horses from 1000 to 1300 pounds. Horses must be well broken, sound and in good flesh, and from five to eight years old. Highest market price will be paid. Seth Pratt.

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500 Pairs of Black and Colored Kid Gloves, Foster's Genuine. The $1 00 quality this week at	75c
The $1.50 quality, pair	98c

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200 Choice Easter Hats, trimmed, for this week, each at	$1.99

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These are a few of the prices which will show you that it will pay you to visit this Department:

NO. 1.
Ladies' Dongola Shoes, Hand Welt Bottom, in Button and Lace, $2.29, reduced from $3.00.

NO. 2.
Ladies' Dongola Button Shoes, in square toe, welt sole, $1.69, reduced from $2.50.

NO. 3.
Ladies' Dongola Lace Shoes, machine sewed, Opera and Square Toes, $1 44, reduced from $2.00.

NOS. 5 AND 6.
Ladies' Dongola Oxfords, in Opera and square toe, 98c, reduced from $1.50.

NO. 29.
Ladies' Vici Kid Lace Shoes, needle toe, machine sewed, sizes 2½ to 7, widths A to E, $1 79, reduced from $2.50.

NO. 10.
Child's Dongola Oxfords, Opera toe, Pat. tip, sizes 8½ to 11, at 69c, reduced from $1 00.

NO. 13.
Misses' Tan Button Shoes, sizes 11½ to 2, at 98c, reduced from $1.50.

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148 East Main Street.

B. F. BOBO, Manager.

ALLIGATORS IN THE WINDOW

Saurians Brought from Florida by J. B. and J. A. Nowlin.

Ex-Supervisor J. B. Nowlin and his son, J. A. Nowlin, arrived home last evening from Jacksonville, Fla., New Orleans, Memphis and other points in the south. The tour was full of interest for the gentlemen, who met many strangers and were privileged to look upon new and curious objects. Their stay at Jacksonville and New Orleans was quite pleasant Everything in the south land at this time there is a great abundance of water, caused by the floods Many people have been drowned and a vast amount of property destroyed. At Memphis for a distance of forty miles one way the plantations are under water.

Live Alligators.

While at Jacksonville J. A. Nowlin bought two young alligators which he brought home with him in a box. They are said to be six months to two years old—nobody knows just how old they are. They cost less than $9 and when warm are full of life and crawl about at a rapid rate. They were shown in a big box at the Republican office today. Hundreds of people stopped to look at the baby alligators. Mr. Nowlin will take good care of his pets at his home and see that they live as long as possible. Each is about 20 inches long.

Garden Seeds.

Just received a large stock of all kinds of D. M. Ferry & Co.'s fresh bulk garden seeds, at the Spencer & Lehman Co.'s.—jan 20-d&wtf

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Prof. Leonard at Washington City.

Prof. R. B. Leonard, who recently underwent a dangerous surgical operation in Virginia, whither he went several months ago for the benefit of his health, is now at the home of a friend at Washington City. He has been and is yet in a very critical condition. Mrs. Leonard and her daughter, Miss Marie Leonard, are now in Washington at the bedside of the professor. The dances at the academy will continue as usual under the direction of Mrs. C. H. Cassell. The probabilities are that Mr. Leonard will recover

Not only acute lung troubles, which may prove fatal in a few days, but old chronic coughs and throat troubles may receive immediate relief and be permanently cured by One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Weekly Republican.

THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 1897.

LOCAL NEWS.

The delinquent tax list for the year 1896 will be published in May.

The Lincoln Press Drill company has received an order for a car load of drills from an agent in Louisiana.

In County Clerk Dodd's office, the clerks are preparing the books for the assessors who will begin work in May.

The number of marriage licenses issued in Champaign county last year was less by 100 than in any year in the past decade.

There is talk of establishing an aluminum factory at Pontiac. There is an abundance of the proper kind of clay in the neighborhood.

Unconditional surrender, is the only terms those famous little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Risers will make with constipation, sick headache and stomach troubles. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L Krone.

The Taylor farm in Grove township, Logan county, embracing 640 acres, has been sold at $60 per acre to Warren Crabbe B W. Taylor takes the Crothers business block at Delavan as part pay.

At the Y. M. C. A. rooms in Kankakee is kept a boarding house directory, in which is kept a list of boarding houses, rates, conveniences, etc, for the benefit of those interested.

Individual members of the board of supervisors of Logan county report that there have been more applications for relief from persons temporarily impoverished than at any time previously.

All the brick school houses in Lincoln are to have Virginia creepers planted around their walls on Arbor Day. The teachers have asked the pupils to assist in the work.

Croup and whooping cough are childhood's terrors, but like pneumonia, bronchitis, and other throat and lung troubles, can be quickly cured by using One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros and N. L. Krone.

In the county court at an early date there will be a hearing on the objections of Virgil Devore to the will of his wife. The executor is S. S. Jack. Mr. Devore does not think the division of the property was fairly made.

At Tolono recently two men digging into a hole found nine foxes, one old and eight young ones. They killed the old one and captured the young ones alive. They will be raised as pets by the neighbors.

The Salvation Army at Peoria has been furnishing meals and cheap lodgings for the destitute for the past month, and has just made a report showing 412 beds furnished and 600 meals, mostly paid for at 5 and 10 cents each The army has collected and expended $75 in the good work.

When the spring time comes, "gentle Annie," like all other sensible persons, will cleanse the liver and renovate the system with DeWitt's Little Early Risers, famous little pills for the liver and stomach all the year round. A. J Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N L. Krone.

The voters of Monticello had an opportunity to abolish the poll tax at the election last Tuesday, but by a handsome majority decided to retain it, at least for another year.

A compilation has been made by a newspaper of the general condition of wheat in the great producing states of the central west. The worst showing is made by Illinois Out of 36 dispatches 24 give the outlook as poor, while 12 give the outlook at fair Only two correspondents venture the opinion that the yield will be greater than that of 1896, while 31 say that it will be less. Twenty-three say the yield will be a half crop or less, five that there will be two thirds of an average crop, and three are optimistic enough to expect a crop only 10 or 20 per cent less than the average

Marriage Licenses.

W. H. Shultz, Argenta, 31.
Mollie Trumble, Moultrie county, 22.
D. H. McCullom, Decatur, 27.
Isabella Bartlett, Irving, 24.
Frank Wooters, Mowaequa, 27.
Ankie Wempen, Mowaequa, 33

Will Pay in Full.

The last thousand of the $40,000 voted by Mt Pulaski township to the Gilman, Clinton & Springfield (now Illinois Central) railroad, will be paid this spring, including twice the original sum in interest. This will be cancelled, without repudiation, but with honor and credit, a great debt assumed by the people of the township back in 1868

Candidates at Blue Mound.

The issue at the village election to be held at Blue Mound will be the license question. The opposing tickets have been named as follows:

Temperance Ticket—President, J. D Bottrell, trustees, Robert Robbins, 1 year; M. L. Hughes, 2 years; E. E. Stover, 3 years; B. C. Diehl, 3 years, clerk, E T. Clements.

Peoples' Ticket—President, H. L Ferguson; trustees, Dan Heidelbaugh, 1 year, J. R. Morgenstein, 2 years; Wm H. Snell, 3 years; L. B. Ware, 2 years; clerk, E. T. Clements.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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OUT OF COURT.

Final Settlement of All Disputes in the Garver Will Case.

SHARES FIXED FOR EACH HEIR.

Full Text of the Order of the Court for the Distribution as Submitted by Master in Chancery Finn—Other Court News.

From the Daily of Saturday

In the circuit court this forenoon the curtain came down on all of the prolonged litigation in reference to the David Garver estate, and the case was stricken from the dockets. Judge Vail passed on the case finally and give the order for the distribution among the heirs. Below is given the order in full

In the Garver Case.

At a term of the circuit court held in and for the county of Macon and state of Illinois, at the court house in Decatur, on the 5th day of March A. D. 1897, being one of the days of the January term of said court.

Abram Garver, et al, vs. Felix M. Garver, et al. No 14033.

This day came the master in chancery appointed by a former decree of the court to make sale and carry into effect said former decree, to make report of his proceedings, and the court having examined the same, doth find that the said master has in every respect proceeded in due form of law and in accordance with the terms of said decree, and that said sale was fairly and impartially made. And the court being fully advised in the premises, doth order, adjudge and decree that the proceedings, sale and report of said master be and the same are hereby approved and confirmed.

And it is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the court that the said master execute and deliver to the said David M. Garver, the purchaser at said sale, proper conveyances to the premises so sold, and that out of the proceeds of said sale and the proceeds of the sale heretofore made under said decree, a report of the same having been filed on the 2nd day of February, 1897, and recorded in book 29, page 226 of the records in the office of the recorder of said court, said master first pay the costs and charges of this proceeding, including $67 advanced by Annie Diehl for abstracts, said sum to be paid to said Annie Diehl, and that said master distribute the residue of said proceeds between the said parties, in the following proportions, to-wit

To Mrs. Catherine M. Shock the sum of $3302 73; to Mrs. Anna Diehl Jones the sum of $3302.73, to David M. Garver the sum of $3302.73; to Barbara M. Gannon the sum of $3302 73, and to Mrs A. M. Garver, widow of Andrew Garver, the sum of $3302 73 Also to Mrs Sarah Carr the sum of $182.93, to Filmore Garver the sum of $519 96, to Taylor Garver the sum of $519 96, to Rose Garver, the sum of $519 96; to William Garver the sum of $519 96, to Nora Garver the sum of $519 96, and to Richard Garver the sum of $519.96, the said Sarah, Filmore, Taylor, Rose, William, Nora and Richard being the children and only heirs at law of Solomon Garver deceased. Provided there shall be of said residue for distribution as above provided the sum of $19,816.38. And in case there shall not be that much residue to distribute, then the said master shall distribute said residue to said parties pro rata according to said interests as above set forth

The payment of which said several amounts will equalize the said parties to whom such payments are made with the said Felix M. Garver. And in case there shall be a surplus after the payment of said amounts left in the said master's hands, such surplus shall be divided pro rata between the said Catherine M Shock, Anna Diehl Jones, David M. Garver, Barbara M Gannon, Mrs. A. M. Garver and Felix M. Garver to the amount of $766 73 each, and to the said Sarah Carr, Filmore Garver, Taylor Garver, Rose Garver, William Garver, Nora Garver and Richard Garver, heirs of said Solomon Garver, the amount of $766 73, share and share alike. The payment of which said several amounts will equalize the said parties to whom such payments are made with the said Abram Garver.

That if there is any surplus then remaining in the hands of the said master after said payments last aforesaid, said master shall divide such surplus so remaining into eight equal parts, giving to each of the said Catherine M. Shock, Anna Delhi Jones, David M Garver, Barbara M. Gannon and Mrs A. M. Garver, and to the said Felix M Garver, and Abram Garver, and to the said heirs of the said Solomon Garver deceased, one equal undivided one-eighth (1/8) of such surplus. In making distribution the master is authorized to pay distribution shares to the attorneys of record of the respective parties. Proof bond and a guardian ad litem fee of $100 is allowed to Executrix of B. P. Page as the fee of Page as guardian ad litem which is to be taxed as cost. Edward P. Vail, judge.

PRIZES FOR ILLINOIS CORN.

State Board of Agriculture Has Inaugurated a Novel Contest

Great inducements will be offered by the state board of agriculture to farmers to compete for prizes offered for the best acre of corn raised in the state during the season of 1897. The board will award to the farmer showing at the state fair the best and largest yield of corn from one acre of ground a cash prize of $100 and a fine track scale, valued at more than the cash prize. The second premium will be $100 in cash and the third premium will be $50 in cash. The board will make proper conditions to govern the raising and measurement of the crop, so as to insure fair competition and it is expected that great interest will be taken in the offer by the agricultural classes.

Persons making entries will be required to exhibit one barrel of ear corn, which shall be gathered the week previous to the fair.

The corn exhibited will become the property of the state board of agriculture at the close of the fair, after which it will be distributed to farmers throughout the state for seeding purposes.

The ground must be measured and the corn weighed by the member of the board of supervisors from the township in which the exhibitor lives.

Each application for entry must be accompanied by a statement giving the total number of pounds of corn produced on one acre of measured ground, the variety of corn planted, the manner of cultivation and the date of planting and gathering. The statement must be sworn and subscribed to before a notary public.

Exhibitors intending to compete must notify the secretary on or before the 1st of July, giving the name of the railroad station nearest to the growing corn.

NOT A NEW THING.

Arbor Day an Old Custom—Did Not Start in Bryan's State.

In his illustrated pamphlet calling attention to the observance of Arbor Day on April 20th. S. M. Inglis, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, calls attention to this historical statement

The origin of Arbor Day is attributed to the state of Nebraska. But in an old Swiss chronicle it is related that away back in the fifth century the people of a little Swiss town called Brugg assembled in council and resolved to plant a forest of oak trees on the common. The first rainy day thereafter the citizens began their work. They dug holes in the ground with canes and sticks, and dropped an acorn into each hole, tramping the dirt over them. Upward of twelve sacks were sown in this way, and after the work was done each citizen received a wheaten roll as a reward "Great oaks from little acorns grow," it is said, but for some reason the work was all in vain, for the seeds never came up. Perhaps the acorns were laid too deep, or it might have been the tramping of so many feet had packed the earth too firmly. Whatever the cause the acorns refused to sprout, and the townspeople sowed the same ground with rye and oats, and after the harvest they tried the acorn planting again—this time in another way—by plowing the soil and sowing the acorns in the furrows. But again the "great oaks" refused to grow, grass came up instead, and the people were disappointed. But an oak grove they were determined to have, so after the second failure a few wise men put their heads together, and decided to gain the desired result by transplanting. A day was appointed in October, and the whole community, men, women and children, marched to the woods, dug up an oak sapling, and transplanted it on the common At the close of the exercises each girl and boy was presented with a roll, and in the evening the grown people had a merry feast in the town hall. This time the trees grew. The people of Brugg were pleased and satisfied, and instituted the day of tree planting as a yearly holiday Every year as the day came around the children formed in line and marched to the oak grove, bringing back twigs or switches, thus proving that the oaks were thriving, and every year at the close of the parade the rolls were distributed to be eaten in remembrance of the day. This festival still exists and is known as "The Switch Parade" Our Arbor Day is only an old custom revived.

At Rest in Greenwood.
From the Daily of Friday.

The remains of the late Charles H. Ward arrived in the city yesterday afternoon accompanied by his wife and daughter His funeral took place yesterday at 2 30 from P. Perl's undertaking parlors, Rev J. T. Findly officiating, his body being interred in Greenwood cemetery Several weeks ago on account of the serious illness of her mother Mrs L M. Sellars, Mrs. Ward, wife of the deceased was called to Decatur from St. Paul and while here in attendance on her mother received the shocking news of Mr. Ward's death.

Charles H Ward was born in Urbana, Ohio, in 1858, being 41 years of age. He had made Decatur his home off and on since 1885, having broke for several of the old Wabash conductors. He was also employed for several years by the Pullman company. He left here with his wife and family last October to make his home in St. Paul and took a position with the Soo Line News company of Minneapolis as news agent, having a run to a place called Endelon N D It was while on a trip to this place that he met his death. His train had pulled into the town of Henson, N.D., and had a wait of several minutes there Mr Ward going to a news dealer a short distance from station to dispose of some extra stock got back just in time to see his train pulling out and in endeavoring to get on missed his footing and fell between the cars and was instantly killed Charley, as he was familiarly known, was a generous, good hearted fellow, a kind, loving husband and parent and his untimely end is regretted by all his acquaintances. He leaves besides his wife a daughter, Miss Mabel Ward, his mother, Mrs Jane Ward of Decatur, and two brothers, Will Ward of Texas, and John Ward of this city

ARBOR DAY.

State Superintendent Inglis Sends Out a Proclamation.

Superintendent of Public Instruction Inglis is sending to all public school teachers and superintendents of schools throughout the state his Arbor Day proclamation. Arbor Day has been designated for this year for Tuesday, April 20.

The proclamation of Superintendent Inglis is the handsomest one ever prepared in the history of the department of public instruction. It consists of a beautifully bound book in four colors, with an elegant outside covering, beautifully illustrated with a woodland scene. The law creating Arbor Day, with the proclamation of Governor Tanner designating the date for 1897, occupy the first portion of the book.

A chapter is devoted to the boys and girls of the state and shows them the benefit of nicely shaded grounds and trees, with the intent of the day celebrated. The teachers, county superintendents and boards of education are all given a chapter regarding the observation of the day. The book closes with many selections of appropriate poetry to the occasion. Blank reports are in the back of the book upon which teachers are requested to answer the questions propounded regarding trees planted, kinds, etc.

The book is a very excellent one and reflects great credit upon Superintendent Inglis and his department.

Election Result in Milan Township.

In Milam township on Tuesday there were two tickets up—the Republican and People's. The Republicans elected Mr. Barber assessor. This was the vote

Supervisor—Archie Dickson, R, 47, William Best, P, 56.

Clerk—Frank Rouch, R, 46, Lewis Stich, P, 56

Assessor—Owen Barber, R, 56, Frank Stich, P, 50

Collector—J V Moody, R, 44; Lowell Smith, P, 59.

Commissioner of Highways—H. H. Wagner, R, 46, William Frambes, P, 53

Justices of the Peace—W A Arnold, R, 45; A S Freeland, R, 50, James Bromley, P, 58, Edward Humphries, P, 53

Constables—Frank Rouch, R, 50, James Chesley, R, 45; David Nibiser, P, 53, W. A. Shaddock, P, 54.

Will Meet in May.

The general assembly of the Presbyterian church will be held in about six weeks at Winona, Ind It is the national convention of delgates from the Presbyterian churches of this county. There are one million communicants of the church in this country who will be represented. It is stated that ex-President Benjamin Harrison will be the moderator of the assembly.

BIG CASES IN COURT.

New Trial Granted by Judge Vail in Damage Suits.

LAWYERS OUT IN FORCE TO TALK.

The Thomason Case to be Gone Over Again Before a Jury—Motion in the Bauer Case Under Consideration.

From the Daily of Friday

This was motion day in the circuit court with Judge Vail on the bench The first case to be disposed of was the motion for a new trial in the suit of Davenport against the Illinois Central Railroad company The jury had given Davenport a verdict for $2000 The defendant thought the verdict was excessive and desired a new trial Mills Bros. resisted the granting of the motion, and the court overruled the motion. Notice of appeal was given and the bond was fixed In the case of Joseph Swift against the Illinois Central, the plaintiff had secured a verdict for $1000, but it did not appear that he was injured. The company, however, was willing to settle with him for $100, but Mr Mills for the plaintiff wanted $300. The proposition was refused. The motion for a new trial in the Swift case was allowed.

Next came up the disposition of the motion by the defendant for a new trial in the damage case of John R. Thomason against the Wabash Railroad company. The plaintiff had been given a verdict for $500, in addition to the $600 he had received by the compromise before the case came to trial. The verdict was not satisfactory to either side and when Judge Vail reached the case on the docket, Attorney Leforgee for the plaintiff said he confessed the motion, and so a new trial was granted, although the court said he disliked to do so because he liked something new. Mr. Leforgee gave the court a short talk in reference to what he considered the injustice of the verdict, when Attorney Buckingham admonished him to save his speech and reduce his points to writing Charley retorted that he would certainly do so and would have plenty of points

In order was the motion for a new trial made by the plaintiff in the $5000 damage case of Mrs Alice Bauer vs the Wabash Railway company The trial was had at the present term of court and the jury gave the verdict in favor of the defendant. The husband of the plaintiff was accidentally killed last summer by a train near the St. Louis bridge He was on his way to his home at Blue Mound at the time The attorneys for the plaintiff is represented by Sawyer & Ewing and A. G Webber, while Attorney Buckingham appears for the defendant. The arguments on the motion are still in progress.

Judge Vail overruled the motion for a new trial, and the verdict of the jury will stand

Will Sail This Month.
From the Daily of Saturday.

Rev and Mrs R G. Hobbs of Jacksonville, formerly of Grace church of this city, will leave next Tuesday for San Francisco, Cal, and will sail from there on April 18 for India. Rev. Hobbs is going in charge of a vessel load of corn for the sufferers in India, and will have charge of the distribution of the grain The idea of sending corn to India originated with Mr. Hobbs He presented the matter to the editor of the Christian Herald. When the idea was carried through it was decided to send Mr Hobbs to personally direct the work Mr. Hobbs' church has given him a leave of absence. The trip will occupy about four months as Mr. and Mrs Hobbs will visit points further east in Europe before returning.

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NEWS AT ATHENS.

Greek and Turkish Troops in Motion, All Looking for Trouble.

WAR OR A BACKDOWN SOON TO COME

Stirring Times in Greece and at Constantinople—Soldiers Tied Up in the Mountains by Rain and Snow.

Athens, April 13.—The facts as to the frontier situation are developing slowly for two reasons: First, snow, rains and bitterly cold winds retarded the campaign in the mountainous districts and intentionally or otherwise all dispatches are being delayed, but if developments are slow the situation is none the less menacing. The open outbreak of hostilities or a backdown by one or both countries cannot be much longer delayed. Here and at Constantinople are daily prolonged meetings, councils of ministers, and it is generally recognized that there must be a decided change soon. The Greek National league or Ethnike Hetairia, are not a party to this attitude, as shown by its raid into Macedonia. In spite of all official denials nobody doubts that the Greek officials were fully aware of this movement which was not only prepared for but was freely discussed for a long time. It is as secret here that by the end of the present week at least ten thousand Greek "irregulars" will be in Macedonia, Albania and Epirus, having been sent under pretense of maintaining the status quo. The Turkish minister at Athens has called the attention of the government to the departure of further "irregulars" into Macedonia, complaining that they were able to evade the Greek troops. The reply was: "Greece might make the same complaint as to the vigilance of the Turkish troops." The next important move will be from the Greek headquarters at Arta, where banks, stores, etc., are closing, making every possible preparation to get out of harm's way. Ethnike Hetairia has 2000 men there about to start, or already started, in six detachments, having separate destination, each to raise the flag of the Greek Cross in certain localities.

Greeks Ready for War.

A harrassing war Turkish force which is to be directed against the Greek regulars is operating from Arta. The government has "given strict orders" to stop the departure of these irregulars, but it is semi officially explained that the Greek commander at Arta is "unable to spare men to intercept them." Probably this officer as most other Greek officers like himself is a member of the Ethnike Hetairia. The Greeks intend when ready to attack, to capture Janina, which according to the treaty at Berlin, belongs to Greece. Another force of "irregulars" are preparing to cut off Turkish communication with Salonica. If successful the three Turkish army divisions and corps at Grevena will be cut off from communication with the east and the other from base supplies. In the meantime several strong Greek fleets are well posted to do the greatest execution against Turkey the moment war is openly declared.

A Russian View.

St Petersburg, April 13.—The Novoe Vremya declares that all coercion of Greece by the Powers will cease as soon as war is declared. Otherwise it would appear like pro-Turkish intervention.

AIR-SHIP BEATS A TRAIN.

Burlington Fast Mail Outclassed by the Aerial Navigator.

Burlington, Iowa, April 13.—Engineer F. L. Bullard, on engine No. 950, of the fast mail, saw the air ship. This popular railroad man states that when he left Chicago yesterday morning and when he reached Western avenue he saw a huge spectacle in the sky moving along in the same direction as his train. He watched it for a few minutes and then was compelled to give his undivided attention to his engine for five or ten minutes, and when he again looked out the monster was some distance ahead. He stated that the train was going at the rate of seventy miles an hour at the time, and when they reached Lisle, Ill., the ship was lost sight of, being many miles ahead. Mr. Bullard thought that this aerial schooner must have been travelling at the rate of 100 to 150 miles per hour.

Observed at Moline, Ill.

Moline, Ill., April 13.—The airship was seen passing south over Rock river, a few miles south of the city, about 8:30 o'clock yesterday morning by a number of farmers. Benjamin Carr, a prominent farmer, avers that he saw it quite distinctly. He describes it as having a cigar-shaped body or hull, apparently about 15 feet long, with large winglike projections on each side. It was at a great height and was moving rapidly. The mysterious lights were seen distinctly by a number of citizens about midnight Saturday, hovering over the tri-cities and then passing off to the northward.

Seen at Lincoln.

Lincoln, Ill., April 13.—This community was worked up to a high pitch last night about 8 o'clock by the appearance of a moving contrivance in the heavens supplied with white and green lights. It was about 3000 feet high, above the clouds, and moving northeasterly, when it changed its course, going toward St. Louis. More than 200 people saw it, and many claim it was the airship so much talked about.

Shot in the Neck.

Bloomington, Ill., April 14.—Last night in a saloon row, Ira Cooper, a notorious young one-armed tough, shot Patrick Kelly, recently of Montana, in the neck. The bullet lodged in the muscles near the spine, and has not been removed. Kelly will die. Cooper was arrested later.

PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATIONS.

The President Sends a Message to Congress in Relation to the Paris Exposition.

Washington, April 14.—The president sent to the senate the following nominations: James G. Angel, Michigan, minister to Turkey; George D. Meiklejohn, Nebraska, assistant secretary of war.

The president also sent to congress a message urging prompt and suitable provision for the adequate representation of the United States at the Paris exposition of 1900. The message pointed out that such provision should "fittingly respond to the widely testified wish and expectation of our inventors and producers, that they may have adequate opportunity again, as in the past to fortify the important positions they have won in the world's competitive fields of discovery and industry." The president refers to the traditional friendship between the United States and France and the mutual advantages to accrue from their enlarged commercial intercourse. The president points out the necessity for action at this session, otherwise the United States will be put at great disadvantage compared with other nations.

INSPECTING THE CENTRAL.

The Railroad and Warehouse Commissioners Passed Through Decatur This Afternoon.

The railroad and warehouse commissioners passed through Decatur this afternoon at 1:10 o'clock. They were traveling in a private car attached to the southbound Illinois Central train. The commissioners were in Decatur but a few moments and continued on their trip south. They expect to reach Cairo tonight and will go from there to St. Louis. The party was composed of C. J. Lindly, chairman, C. S. Hannelis, J. E. Biddell, B. B. Ray, secretary, and Dwight Morgan, the consulting engineer.

Mr. Ray, the secretary, when asked if it was likely that the commissioners would condemn the depot at Decatur said that he did not think any steps would be taken in that direction. The commissioners are now making a tour of physical inspection of the Illinois Central road, and will go over all branches of the road in this state. The commissioners will pass through this city on an inspection of the Wabash in about a month.

SPENCER WILLIAMS' CASE.

Colored Man Held to Answer for Burglary and Larceny.

In Justice Hardy's court today Spencer Williams, who was a dishwasher at the Arcade hotel for over two years, had his preliminary trial on a charge a burglary and petit larceny. The warrant was sworn out by Ben Bristow, and Mr Bristow, and Williams' wife were the principal witnesses for the prosecution. A. H. Mills appeared for the prosecution and Wilson Woodford for the defense. Mr. and Mrs. Williams had made their home at Bristow's house on West Decatur street. The couple had a quarrel and Williams had to seek shelter elsewhere. He had his clothing in a trunk. He went to the house and took away a trunk, which contained a coat belonging to Bristow and all of Mrs. Williams' clothing except what she had on. The arrest followed. The trial resulted in the justice holding Williams to await the action of the grand jury. Bail for burglary was fixed at $250, and for larceny at $25

ILLINOIS LEGISLATURE.

The Senate in Committee of the Whole—Judicial Apportionment Bill Fails to Get Two-Thirds.

Springfield, Ill., April 14.—Immediately after the routine business the senate went into a committee of the whole on the Humphrey railroad bill on second reading. Outside friends and opponents of the bill were heard at length. The bill was opposed in speeches by Newton Partridge of Chicago, representing the committee of 100, F. Doyle, president of the Chicago federation of labor, and Judge L. D. Thomas. The bill was advocated by C. L. Bonney of Chicago, and J. J. McDonald, a Chicago lawyer, claiming to represent a number of real estate men. The senate then took a recess till 2 o'clock p. m., when Yerkes of Chicago, he heard favor bills and John H. Sanline, against.

Judicial Apportionment.

The house passed the judicial apportionment bill by a vote of 84 yeas to 59 nays, the Democrats voting against it. After the transaction of some other routine business the house adjourned.

DON'T WANT TO SELL.

W. J. Bryan Notified that the Thomas Jefferson Property Is Not for Sale.

Washington, April 14.—W. J. Bryan received a letter from Jefferson Levy, the owner of Monticello, Jefferson's old home, saying he does not desire to sell it. Bryan had written him asking if he would convey the place to the national government, state of Virginia, or some association like that which controls Mt. Vernon.

Illinois Cattle Quarantine.

Springfield, Ill., April 13.—Governor Tanner has issued a proclamation, upon the recommendation of the state live stock commission, scheduling the territory described by the secretary of agriculture of the United States against Texas or splenic fever, and prohibiting cattle therefrom from being shipped into this state between February 15 and December 1 of each year, in accordance with the regulations of the state live stock commission. The regulation and territory prescribed are substantially the same as published for 1896.

Killed in an Explosion.

Berlin, April 14.—An Essen dispatch says ten were killed by an explosion of fire damp in the Oberhausen pit, this morning.

River Falling at St. Louis.

St. Louis, April 14.—The river has fallen seven-tenths of a foot in the past twenty-four hours and is still falling as far north as Keokuk.

J. M. Hughes & Co. at Durfee & Bros.' old stand have a choice stock of fresh garden and flower seeds. Give them a call. feb23-d&wtf

CUBAN VICTORY.

Hard Battle Fought in Matanzas in Which Spain Suffers a Defeat.

TROOPS FLEE BEFORE THE CUBANS.

Turkish Government Concludes that the Raid of Irregulars Will be Regarded as a Declaration of War.

Havana, April 14., via Key West.—News comes from Matanzas of a big battle fought yesterday near the estate Andes, a few miles from El Colisco. The Spanish official report claims one of the greatest victories obtained by the Spaniards since the war began. The report is much discredited, and from other sources it is known that the fight ended in a total defeat of the Spanish column, led by Col. Zamora, with Captain Andrade in command of its cavalry forces.

The Spanish confess a loss of thirty-four killed and fifty-one wounded, but, as in all similar cases, these casualties are only among the regular soldiers of the battalion, and the killed and wounded of the guerilla forces, who, according to the Spanish plan, always march in front of each column, are not mentioned at all. The Cuban general, Dr. Betancourt, reports that Colonel Zamora lost 120 men in the engagement.

The battle began after the Spaniards had completed their destruction of the plantation Andes, under the instructions of General Molina, commander of the Spanish forces in the province, who received news that the insurgents were taking many provisions for their troops from that estate. He therefore sent Colonel Zamora with 1500 men to reduce the whole property to ashes

After that work had been completed, and when Colonel Zamora was leaving the place, his vanguard was suddenly attacked by a force of Cuban cavalry. The engagement lasted five hours, and the Spanish column was compelled to retire from the estate Andes to the estate La Vaca, and through that estate to the town of El Colisco, which Colonel Zamora entered about 6 o'clock in the evening, with his soldiers panic stricken and many missing. Of the cavalry forces of Capt. Andrade only a few men remained.

General Weyler is reported to be greatly concerned over the fate of the garrison of the principal Spanish force at Seborucal, near Placetas The fort was attacked on Friday by a large force of insurgents, who bombarded it with dynamite shells fired from a pneumatic cannon. The fort was destroyed, half of the garrison being killed, and the other half, excepting four men who were captured, fled to Placetas.

Note Which Means War.

London, April 14.—The Evening News, Athens, special says that Turkey has formally notified Greece that any further raid of "irregulars" into Turkish territory will be regarded as a declaration of war.

The Advance in Macedonia.

Larissa, April 14.—A trustworthy report confirms the statements that the Greek "irregulars" have captured Balpino, in Macedonia, then took a strong position in the mountains near Krania, where the Turkish battalions attacked them but were repulsed with severe loss, being badly cut up, the Greeks capturing large quantities of provisions, ammunition and fifteen prisoners. The Greeks then advanced to Allasona and Janina and drove the Turks before them and are now pushing on for Grevena where a strong Turkish force is stationed.

The Greek Irregulars Advancing

London, April 14.—A special from Salonica, the Turkish base of operations says the Greek "irregulars" have advanced to Grevena and are rallying the population to their cause, and threatening the communication between the Turkish armies at Ellasonia and Jaina.

AIR-SHIP REPAIRED IN ILLINOIS.

Alighted Near Girard While the Occupant Mended the Machinery.

Carlinville, Ill., April 14.—The report from authentic sources is that the airship, which has been seen at many different places the past month, was seen about half way between the towns of Nilwood and Girard at 6:16 Monday evening. When first seen it was descending, and was noticed by Wm. Street, Frank Metcalf and Ed Teeples and the telegraph operator at Girard. These men saw it alight, and a man get out and fix some part of the machine. They started for the place where it had alighted, but when within a quarter of a mile it rose and disappeared from view in a northerly direction.

The ship was of enormous size, pointed at each end, and had wings on each side, while the top was covered with what appeared from a distance to be a canopy, like that used on a surrey. There was a sign on the ship, but nothing could be seen plainly except a large "M." The ship rose to a great height. When the parties arrived at the place where it had alighted in the field, there was clearly seen the footprints of a man who had been walking around, evidently those of the man who got out of the ship to fix some part of the machinery. Its course was northward.

DROWNED BY A BULL.

An Arkansas Family Attempting to Escape the Waters Take a Bull in the Boat with Fatal Results.

Helena, Ark., April 14.—Sylvester Sander, colored, and family consisting of his wife and five children, started in a flat boat for high ground. He also took in the boat a valuable bull, which was nearly starved and as the boat neared some willows the bull attempted to feed on them as the boat was being pushed along. This tipped the boat and the excited animal which plunged about smashed the boat and all were drowned.

HUNTER HOLDS ON.

The Vote To-Day Shows He Still Lacks but Two of an Election.

Frankfort, Ky., April 14.—There was no material changes on the thirty-sixth ballot for United States senator today. Hunter had 61, Blackburne, 44; Martin, 12; Berly, 6; Stone, 1. Necessary to choice, 63.

Overtaken by a Hand Car

Salem, Ill., April 14.—Some time Monday night the store at Kell, a small place south of here on the Chicago and Eastern Illinois railroad, belonging to Senator C. E. Hull and W. Finn, was burglarized. When the discovery was made O. Hays and Squire Fauver, members of the anti-horse thief association, took a hand car and started north on the road. Between Kell and Salem they discovered two men asleep in the branches of a fallen tree The men were brought to this city on the hand car, taken before Justice Marshall, and, they having waived examination, were placed in jail to await the circuit court in July. About $50 worth of clothing, cutlery and small goods were taken from the store, and when arrested the men were dressed in the stolen clothes. The prisoners give the names of Frank Fairchilds and Joseph Silver, but do not say where they came from.

Oneida Bank Robbers.

Galesburg, Ill., April 14.—The preliminary examination of William Powers and Joseph Riley, alias Shea, the Oneida bank robbers, arrested in East St. Louis, was held yesterday. The prisoners made a desperate fight, and had the best legal talent in the city. The cashier of the Oneida bank identified a patched bill found in the prisoners' possession at the time of their arrest, and the prisoners were identified by Oneida people who saw them there the day before the robbery. They were bound over in the sum of $5000 each.

IN THE HANDS OF A RECEIVER

The Long Mead Iron Co. and Coshocton Tube Co. in Trouble.

Norristown, Pa., April 14.—The Long Mead Iron company and the Coshocton Tube company of Conshockton, has gone into the hands of receivers. Liabilities, $300,000, assessts, half that amount.

London Stocks Depressed.

London, April 14.—On the stock exchange South African mining and other securities are very flat and nervous. There were a number of alarming rumors yesterday. One was to the effect that one of the biggest companies in India is in difficulty. Another referred to the foreign sales for large Johannesburg speculators; still another that the consolidated gold fields were issuing fresh capital.

Trustee McKay's Statement.

Chicago, April 14.—McKay of the university trustees, said today that O. W. Spalding, treasurer of the board and president of the defunct Globe Savings bank, admitted to him he had hypothecated the university endowment bonds held by him in trust.

Judge Sheldon Dead.

Rockford, Ill., April 14.—Judge B. R. Sheldon, formerly a member of the state supreme court, died today, aged 85.

The Latter Day Saints.

Lamoni, Iowa, April 14.—A large number of official names were presented for enrollment in the quorums of the church of the Latter Day Saints.

Seed Distribution.

New seed store, complete stock, fresh garden, field and flower seeds. Leon & Morris, 188 East Wood street.—9-dw&tf

The Swiney livery barn at Farmer City has been closed under a mortgage and leased to Degroff and Rittenhouse, who will continue the business for the rest of the year.

The Macon Postmaster.

Bismarck Schudel received his commission as postmaster at Macon yesterday. This is the first appointment in the county under McKinley

Death of a Child.

Eugene Edward, the 4-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Fouike, died of bronchitis Sunday morning at 7 o'clock at the family residence, No. 942 North Union street.

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Buy your garden, flower and field seeds of Dan Culp, the old reliable seedsman fresh stock and all varieties of garden seed in bulk. No. 223 North Main street. Durfee & Culp.—1-d&wtf

The Jersey cows at the S. M. Lutz auction sale brought good prices, ranging from $40 to $65 The auctioneer was J. T. Ward.

Don't fail to call on J. P. Winebrenner at Ottenheimer & Co.'s, as he will be pleased to see all his friends.

It is claimed that at the end of 176 years the world will be overpeopled. That will bring us to the year 2073, when it is etimated the population of the world will be 5,994,000,000.

Incessant bic-coughing may be cured by thrusting the tongue far out of the mouth and thus hold it for a few minutes.

The first building brick made in this country were made by the colonists in Virginia in 1612.

Marvelous Results.

From a letter written by Rev. J. Gunderman, of Diamondale, Mich., we are permitted to make this extract: "I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. While I was pastor of the Baptist church at Rives Junction she was brought down with Pneumonia succeeding La Grippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little interruption, and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery; it was quick in its work and highly satisfactory in results." At West's drug store.

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Plain Cloth Suits, Blue or Black lined skirts, Eaton Jacket, $5.00 suit. Better suits at $7.50, $10.00 and $12.50 each.

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KNOCK OUT FOR JERRY

Sockless Simpson Has a Go at Speaker Reed and Gets the Worst of It.

PRES. M'KINLEY IN GOOD HEALTH

After His Trip on the Dolphin—Old Soldiers to be Reinstated—Cleveland's Orders Not to Stand.

Washington, April 14.—(From our regular correspondent.)—President McKinley returned from his little outing much improved. The weather was more or less disagreeable during the entire time he spent on the Dolphin, but he got what he went after and what he needed most—rest. He was at his desk today looking fresher than for several weeks.

Jerry Simpson made an attempt to prove that he was a bigger man than the entire house, but he only proved himself a monkey He thought, or rather he thought that he thought, that he could compel Speaker Reed to appoint the committees and the house to go ahead with miscellaneous business, although a majority had decided that the legislation of the extra session should be confined to passing the left over appropriation bills and the tariff bill, both of which the house has done. Jerry made the point of "no quorum" to prevent the house adjourning from Saturday to Wednesday, but Speaker Reed had no difficulty in counting a quorum, and Jerry found himself down while the house adjourned. Whether he intends to get himself knocked down every time the house meets just for the notoriety there is in it, is yet to be seen. It is evident that Speaker Reed regards Jerry merely as an "amusing little cuss."

Secretary Alger, under whose direction the $200,000 appropriated last week by congress for the relief of sufferers by the floods in the Mississippi valley will be spent, lost no time in putting the machinery of the war department to work in order that prompt relief might be extended, wherever needed. It may be a hard thing to say, but it is strictly true that the Cleveland administration was responsible for much of the damage done by the Mississippi river floods, by its policy of delay in spending money appropriated by congress to strengthen and raise up the levees along the Mississippi river at those points where United States engineer officers had reported the necessity of such work. Reports are on file in the war department from engineer officers, made after congress had appropriated the money, urging that contracts be made and the work pushed on these levees, but it was the Cleveland-Carlisle policy to hold back appropriations as long as possible, and these floods came before the strengthening of the levees had been completed. A number of the breaks are at the points reported weak by the engineers and ordered to be strengthened by congress. For all the damage done by these particular breaks, the Cleveland administration is clearly responsible.

President McKinley's announced policy of reinstating all ex-Union soldiers who were dismissed from office by the Democrats for no other reason than their politics, is being carried out in all of the government departments as fast as the heads of the departments can get around to the cases. In the cases of the chiefs of divisions, the Democrats are being given better treatment than they gave Republicans They are allowed to remain in office, in a lower position, instead of being dismissed, as so many Republicans were under the last administration.

A Republican senator speaking of the talk in regard to the appointment of Hon. Theodore Roosevelt, to be assistant secretary of the navy being likely to make trouble, said: "Roosevelt may make trouble in the navy department, but if he does it will be in the interests of a better administration of its affairs, just as he has made trouble for the law breakers of New York City who had long enjoyed police protection. I notice that in all the trouble stirred up by Roosevelt, he has always had the support of those who believed in showing up and reforming wrong-doing wherever found, and I am willing to stand behind all the trouble he makes in the navy department."

Mr. Cleveland's order reducing the number of pension agencies, which was to go into effect on the first of next September, will never go into effect. Pension Commissioner Evans has ascertained by investigation that instead of saving money, as Mr. Cleveland claimed, it would cost more to support the consolidated agencies. He said on the subject: "While I have no authority to speak for the president, I have excellent reasons for believing that the order will not go into effect, and that the eighteen pension agencies will remain as they are." Commissioner Evans also says that Mr. Cleveland's order placing pension examining surgeons under the civil service rules will be revoked, except in the cases of examiners who receive $800 a year or less. No date has yet been fixed for the reporting of the Dingley tariff bill to the senate by the finance committee.

Proceedings in Congress.

Washington, April 14.—An unexpected tariff vote was precipitated in the senate by Morrill's motion to refer to the finance committee Vest's resolution declaring the order of Secretary of the Treasury Gage as the retroactive clause in the tariff bill being illegal. Morrill's motion prevailed, 34 to 23.

The vote was by yeas and nays and only one Republican vote was cast against the motion, that of Chandler The Democrats voted solidly against it. They had the assistance of all the silver Republicans and Populists present, except Mantle, silver Republican of Montana, who voted with the straight Republicans. Cannon, silver Republican; Butler, Harris of Kansas, Hietfeld, Pettigrew and Turner, Populists, voted against the motion. Teller of Colorado, Jones and Stewart of Nevada, were absent.

Morgan asked to have the time set for the final vote on the Cuban resolution. Hoar objected. Morgan gave notice he would call up the resolution daily until a vote was secured.

In the house Shannon of New York, introduced a bill to amend the anti-trust law so it will not prevent railroad traffic agreements, provided they shall, before going into effect, be submitted to and be approved by the interstate commerce commission.

Family Cremated.

Pascoag, R. I., April 14.—The house of Edward Reynolds at Oakland was burned this morning It is thought to be a case of murder and arson Mrs. Reynold's body was mutilated, and blood stains were found on the bed. Reynolds, his 30-year-old daughter, and Martin Morey, who boarded with the family, are missing and it is believed the bodies are in the ruins.

Martin Mowry, who was missing from the scene of the Reynolds tragedy was found hiding in a barn and was arrested on suspicion of being involved in the affair.

Children's Tan

Shoes, 8 to 10½, 95c a pair, in vic kid button at Powers' shoe store.—8-d&wlw

MARKET REPORT.

CHICAGO, ILL., April 14, 1897.

The REPUBLICAN is indebted to S. Z. Taylor, dealer in grain, provisions and stocks, with correspondents in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis and St. Louis for the following market quotations

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Wheat—				
April	—	—	—	68⅛
May	67⅞	68⅛	66⅞	68⅛
July	67⅛	67⅝	66⅞	67⅝
Corn—				
April	—	—	—	23⅛
May	23⅞	23⅞	22⅞	23⅜
July	25⅛	25⅛	24⅞	25⅛
September	26⅜	26⅜	26	26⅛
Oats—				
April	—	—	—	16
May	16⅛	16⅛	16⅛	16⅛
July	17⅛	17⅛	17⅛	17⅛
Pork—				
April	—	—	—	—
May	8.25	8.20	8.20	8.27½
Lard—				
April	—	—	—	—
May	4.15	4.17½	4.15	4.17
Ribs—				
April	—	—	—	—
May	4.37½	4.62	4.37½	4.62

May wheat: puts, 67⅛c; calls, 69⅜c; curb, 68⅜c.

TO-DAY'S RECEIPTS—CAR LOTS.

Wheat—5. Estimated, 6. Year ago, 11.
Corn—87; Estimated, 85; a year ago, 112.
Oats—114. Estimated, 102, a year ago, 117.

ESTIMATES FOR TO-MORROW.

Wheat, 5; Corn, 48; oats, 145.
Hog receipts 25,000; estimated, 22,000.
Market 5c lower.
Light, $3.85@$4.10; Mixed, $3.90@$4.15; Heavy $3.90@$4.15. Rough $3.75@$3.85.
Estimated for to-morrow, 25,000.
Cattle receipts, 13,000. Market steady; closed 10c lower.

PEORIA QUOTATIONS.

PEORIA, April 14.—Corn, firm, new, No. 2, white, 22½c; oats, quiet, No. 2, white, 20½c; Rye, nominal.

NEW YORK MARKET.

NEW YORK, April 14.—Wheat, May, 74⅝c; Corn, May, 29⅝c, oats, May, 21⅝c.

NEW YORK, April 14.—Butter, steady, 13@18c; Eggs, steady, 10½c.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.

ST. LOUIS, April 14.—Wheat, cash, 92c; May, 88⅝c; Corn, cash 21, May, 21⅛; Oats, cash, 18c; May, 18⅝.

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No. 7 Cook Stove....$8.00
No. 8 Cook Stove....14.00
6 hole Steel Range....25.00

China Dep't.
100 piece English Dinner Set....$6.00
Large size Plates, per set....40c
6 piece Glass Set....22c
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Copper Bottom Boiler....88c
Dish Pans....18c
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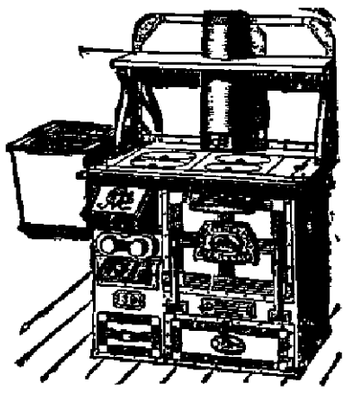

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